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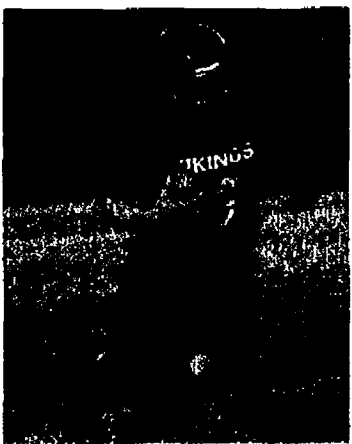
Soccer team overcomes early deficit, wins playoff game 4-2



The Grayling Vikings didn't get off to a great start – their opponent, the Boyne City Ramblers, scored the first two goals of the match – but the team outscored Boyne City 4-0 after that to win 4-2 in Tuesday night's round one District 48-3 playoff game. GHS hosted the contest.

Approximately halfway through the first period, Boyne City scored the first goal of the contest to lead 1-0. The Ramblers scored again at the 12:23 mark to lead 2-0. **Page 2B**

Late TD wins it for Boyne City, Vikings fall 29-22 in season finale



The game – a junior varsity football league contest played at Grayling High School on Thursday night – was tied at 22-22 late in the fourth quarter. The visiting Boyne City Ramblers drove 75 yards on 12 plays in the final minutes to win 29-22. **Page 4B**

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Viking players celebrate at Boyne City following their 21-0 victory vs. the Ramblers. Grayling's win on Friday completed an undefeated season for the Vikings – nine wins, no losses – and clinched the school's first Lake Michigan Conference championship for football.

UNDEFEATED!

Vikings cap 9-0 season, league title with 21-0 victory at Boyne City

by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

They did it: nine wins, zero losses. A league title. The Grayling Vikings defeated the Boyne City Ramblers – a team that was also 8-0 going into the contest – by a final score of 21-0 during Friday night's varsity football game at Boyne City, winning a Lake Michigan Conference championship – Grayling's first – and also posting the varsity football program's first undefeated season in school history.

Grayling scored on its second drive, finishing a 95-yard series with a one-yard TD run by Ty Jensen. The possession also included a 26-yard pass from quarterback Jake Swander to Tyler McClanahan, a 49-

yard pass from Swander to Kevin Harris, and a 15-yard reception by McClanahan. GHS led 6-0.

In the second quarter, the Vikings drove 76 yards on 14 plays, scoring with a five-yard TD run by Jensen. The series included a 24-yard reception by Scout Tobin on 4th and 21 to keep the drive alive. Swander passed to Scott Parkinson for the two-point conversion and Grayling led 14-0.

Boyne City, on 4th and 15, fumbled the snap on a punt attempt, giving Grayling the ball nine yards from the goal line. The Vikings scored their third and final TD of the night with a nine-yard pass from Swander to Jensen. Harris kicked the extra point.

Neither team scored in the fourth quarter.

Grayling won 21-0.

"We are so proud and happy for our guys. Our defense played inspired football," Coach Tim Sanchez said. "Our offense made some big plays and capitalized in the red zone."

For the MHSAA football playoffs, Grayling is in Division 5, Region 1, District 1. In the pre-district round this week, Grayling will face the Kingsford Flivvers at Kingsford on Saturday, Oct. 27, at 1 p.m. (our time). The winner will either host Kingsley or play at Menominee next week for the district championship.

For more on the Boyne City game, see Page 1B.

Road millage renewal on Nov. 6 ballot

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A millage, levied by the Crawford County Road Commission for the last four years, has allowed for nearly twice as many miles of local roads being resurfaced and voters are being asked to approve a proposal to keep the infrastructure program moving forward.

Voters are being asked to decide a road repair millage renewal when they go to the polls for the Nov. 6 general election. The one-mill renewal would be collected from 2014 through 2018. If approved, owners of a \$100,000 home with a state-equalized value of \$50,000 would continue to pay \$50 in taxes per year.

Voters first approved the road repair millage in 2009. There is still one-year left on the five-year millage.

County officials opted to put the renewal before voters on Nov. 6 to avoid paying for a special election next year.

"This would just piggy back on to when the millage runs out next year and we would just have a continuation rather than a lapse when we would not have funding coming in," said Don Babcock, the managing director for the Crawford County Road Commission. "We're not double-dipping. We're just continuing on."

With the millage funds, the Crawford County Road Commission has been able to improve over 19 miles of roadway in the last three years, a total investment of over \$2.8 million.

In 2010, Wakeley Bridge Road and Chase Bridge Road were repaired and resurfaced. A project on County Road 612 between Hartwick Pines Road and Lovells was also completed. Four Mile Road from the railroad tracks to Staley Lake Road was repaired. South Grayling Road from North Higgins Lake Drive to Dort Road was resurfaced. And North Down River Road from Wilcox Bridge Road to the Camp Grayling's Maneuver Area Training Equipment Site (MATES) was fixed.

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AMERICAN GIRLS GET PAMPERED AT LIBRARY'S NAIL ART PARTY



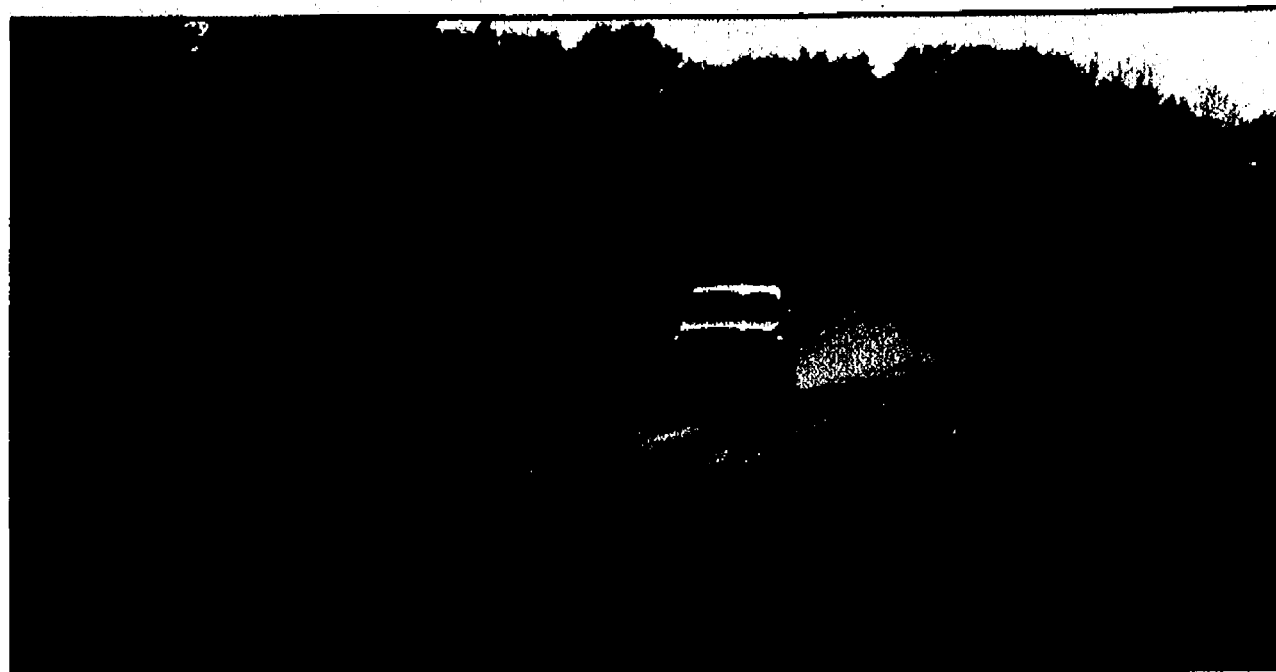
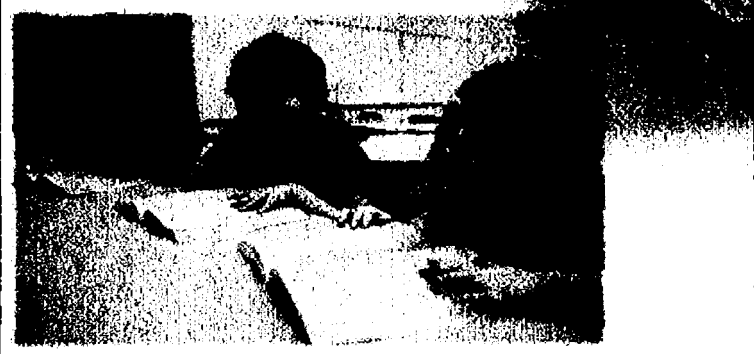
Photos by Dan Sanderson

The Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library hosted a program called "American Girls Just Wanna Have Fun - Nail Art Party" last week as part of the American Girls after school program. Gail Swope, from Heads Up North, assisted volunteers and library staff with the program. Left, Alexis Alma, a fifth grader, prepares her fingernails for some polish and nail art. Right, Rachel Sells, a library program volunteer, paints fingernails for Lillian Vassle, a second grader.

Crawford AuSable School District

MILLAGE RENEWAL

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November 6



The Crawford County Road Commission is currently working on a project on Old 27 from South Graying Road south to repair two miles of the roadway.

Photo by Dan Sanderson

Road repair millage renewal on Nov. 6 general election ballot

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In 2011, projects on Fletcher Road from South Graying Road to Old 27 and County Road 612 from

Old 27 to Kolka Creek Road were completed.
In 2012, South Graying Road from Old 27 to Seven Mile Road was widened and

resurfaced. A project on Old 27 from South Graying Road south to repair two miles of the roadway is currently being completed. Babcock said that area of the county road system fell apart last winter, forcing motorists to drive on the shoulders of the roadway.

"It just got so rough," Babcock said.

A project to repair a section of Military Road was put on the back burner in order to address the Old 27 project.

"Our priorities do change every once in awhile," Babcock said. "We have to switch gears and we certainly try to work on the worst roads first."

Next year, the Road Commission will be working on a 5.6-mile segment of County Road 612 from the Kalkaska County line to Kolka Creek Road. There will also be about \$500,000 remaining in millage funds to work on other sections of roadways. Some of the roads being considered are sections of Military Road, sections of County Road 612 traveling toward Lovells, Fletcher Road and Hartwick Pines Road.

The road repair millage generates \$560,000 per year. The state and federal government allocates about \$330,000 per year to the Crawford County Road Commission for road projects. Every project that uses state and federal funds has to be met with a 20-percent local match from the road commission.

The project slated for County Road 612 slated for next year will cost \$995,000. The project will include drainage improvements, paving and widening shoulders of road, improving the intersection at Sand Hill Road to enhance sight vision and addressing issues at the Manistee River Bridge regarding road drainage.

"It's a pretty intense job,"

Babcock said.

Without the road repair millage, the road commission would have to save for a couple of years to address such a major project.

"That's where it always becomes a clincher," Babcock said.

The cost for a paving project is \$140,000 per mile. There are about 40 miles of roads in the county that are in need of repair, which would cost \$5.6 million.

The road repair millage allows funds to be earmarked for planned road improvement projects and for other road commission funds to be used for snow removal and purchasing supplies such as salt, sand and equipment.

Road Commission officials evaluate the county road system in the fall. Factors used include potholes, cracks, rideability, traffic counts and past maintenance costs.

"If we're going to save on maintenance costs, then it gets a higher priority," Babcock said. "It just kind of makes sense."

Funds received from federal government never stay the same, so the road commission can't plan on an exact dollar amount from year-to-year.

Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder, like previous state leader, has convened a panel of officials to study gas taxes to fund road funding.

"They're no closer to an answer," Babcock said.

Currently, 19 counties in Michigan levy countywide road millages, according to the County Road Association of Michigan.

"Maybe, the road millage is a better way to go because at least the people that are paying for it know that it's going to stay in the county, rather than a gas tax and the State Highway Department and metropolitan areas taking most of it anyway," Babcock said.

Trick or treat times for Grayling

The Grayling City Police are recommending that trick or treating take place in Grayling from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 31.

With witches, goblins and super-heroes descending on neighborhoods, the City of Grayling offers parents some safety tips to help prepare their children for a safe and enjoyable trick-or-treat holiday.

Halloween should be filled with surprise and enjoyment, and following some common sense practices can help keep events safer and more fun.

• Walk, slither and sneak on sidewalks, not in the street.

• Look both ways before crossing the street to check for cars, trucks and low-flying brooms.

• Cross the street only at corners.

• Wear light-colored or reflective-type clothing so you are more visible.

Remember to also put reflective tape on bikes, skateboards and brooms, too.

• Plan your route and share it with your family. If possible, have an adult go with you.

• Carry a flashlight to light your way.

• Keep away from open fires and candles since costume can be extremely flammable.

• Visit homes that have the porch light on.

• Accept your treat at the door and never go into a stranger's house.

• Use face paint rather than masks or things that will cover your eyes.

• Be cautious of animals and strangers.

• Have a grown-up inspect your treats before eating them and don't eat candy if the package is already opened. Small, hard pieces of candy are a choking hazard for young children.

Republican Ballot

General Election

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Republican

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REPRESENTATIVE IN STATE LEGISLATURE
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Republican

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Republican

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Melanie Foster
Republican

Jeff Sakwa
Republican

GOVERNOR OF WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY
Vote for not more than 2

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Republican

Satish B. Jasti
Republican

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Everette E. Ayers III
Republican

CLERK/REGISTER OF DEEDS
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Republican

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Ryan Halstead
Republican

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Vote for not more than 1

Dave Wyman
Republican

COUNTY COMMISSIONER 2ND DISTRICT

Vote for not more than 1

Sharon Priebe
Republican

COUNTY COMMISSIONER 5TH DISTRICT

Vote for not more than 1

Rick Anderson
Republican

BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP

SUPERVISOR
Vote for not more than 1

Brian Ashton
Republican

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Vivian D. Balmes
Republican

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Meagan Little
Republican

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TREASURER
Vote for not more than 1

Cindy Olson
Republican

LOVELLS TOWNSHIP

CLERK
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Cynthia Infante
Republican

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Non-homestead renewal for school district on ballot

On the Nov. 6, the Crawford AuSable School District (CASD) has to have the non-homestead renewal question on the general election ballot.

This is not a tax increase. One way or another, this renewal does not affect your home, which serves as your primary residence or your homestead, said Crawford AuSable School District Superintendent Joe Powers.

In 1994, Proposal A required all school districts in the state to periodically seek their local taxpayer's approval to collect the 18-mill non-homestead tax. The last time that CASD asked the local voters to approve the renewal was for five years.

This current renewal is for six years in order to meet the state's new election requirements.

The state now requires school elections to be held in November. This is the reason the renewal is on this November's ballot. Now, the question is for six years to keep the school elections on even years. This renewal is for six years so that the next renewal would be in 2018.

Each community in the state is required to approve the non-homestead tax col-

lection.

"This renewal is vital to the school operations," Powers said. "Approval of this renewal only allows the school to keep the same amount of funds. It does not give the school anymore funding."

This renewal represents almost \$5 million dollars of funding for the school, or approximately 1/3 of the schools funding.

However, this does not increase or decrease the taxes on a person's house, which is their homestead property.

Non-homestead is for vacant land, businesses or second homes. The State of Michigan requires each local school district to get approval from the local voters to collect the funds. The state will not make up the difference.

This school election is also to elect one board member for a six-year term through 2018. Dave Malm, who was appointed to the CASD school board in August, is the only candidate that is on the ballot. State election law dictates that school elections will be the last item on the ballot of this very long ballot. The school question will be on the backside of the ballot.

GHS Advanced Placement Scholars named

Eight graduates of Grayling High School and one current senior have earned the designation of AP Scholar by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement exams. Only 18 percent of the more than 1,900,000 high school students worldwide who took these exams performed at a sufficiently high level to merit the recognition of AP Scholar.

The College Board recognizes several levels of achievement based on the number of courses and exams taken. Six GHS students qualified as AP Scholars, a designation given to those students who receive grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams. Griffin Dean, son of Bill and Cory Dean, attends the University of Michigan, studying biology and English literature. Hillary Fenton, daughter of George and Gail Fenton, attends Central Michigan University to study creative writing and business advertising. Natasha Kappers, daughter of Kathy and Jeff Eckola, attends Kirtland Community College, where she is studying art. Tyler Powers, son of Joe and Cindy Powers, is currently a senior at GHS. He plans to attend Michigan State University to become a veterinarian. Heather Ruddy, daughter of Jay Ruddy and Kim Ruddy, studies at Cornerstone University, majoring in pre-med. Nicholas Wells, son of Gerald and Bonnie Wells, is studying geological engineering at the University of Alaska in Fairbanks.

One student qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor Award, which is granted to students who receive an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken and grades of 3 or higher on four or more AP Exams. He is Ferdinand (Evan) Korneli, son of Fred and Sally Korneli. Evan is studying history while also pursuing pre-med studies at Michigan State University.

Two students qualified for the AP Scholar with Distinction designation, which is granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.5 on all

AP exams taken and scores of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams. Taylor Duvall, daughter of Larry Duvall and Brandie Sykes, is a freshman at the University of southern Florida where she is a pre-med student. Darcy Greer, daughter of Luther and Jamie Greer, attends Michigan State University, studying psychology and Spanish.

GHS has offered AP classes since 1980. The first course offered was English Composition. Since that time, the program has expanded, and students are now able to take AP courses in art, biology, calculus, chemistry, English language and literature, U.S. History, and European History. Students at GHS have also taken AP exams in French, Spanish, German, Human Geography and World History, through independent study. To find out more about the Advanced Placement Program, you may visit their website at www.collegeboard.org.

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"It's a really small grant, but we can do a lot of things with it," Wakeley said. "It's for very low-income residents, so not a lot of people qualify for it."

Agriculture Under Secretary for Rural Development Dallas Tonsager said \$4.4 million in grants were being issued for housing preservation.

"For many rural residents, maintaining a home with basic features such as

indoor plumbing and safe electrical wiring is often unaffordable," Tonsager said. "This program supports basic repairs to improve living conditions for rural residents with extremely limited incomes."

Grants may be used to make general repairs, such as installing or improving plumbing or providing or enhancing access to people with disabilities. Funds may also be used to weatherize and make homes more energy efficient. Many of the USDA grants are being leveraged with funding from additional sources.

Wakeley said the county also received a \$200,000 grant from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority to target home repairs on the north side of the City of Grayling. This is the second time the Crawford County Housing Commissions has received a grant to upgrade city housing.

"That's a lot of money that is being spent in one small area," Wakeley said.

Wakeley said the state and federal funds could be leveraged to address larger projects for low-income homeowners.

Veteran's Job Fair will be held

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Just prior to honoring military forces on Veteran's Day, dozens of employers and the Michigan National Guard are joining forces to try to put troops and their spouses to work.

In collaboration with over 60 companies, the Michigan National Guard is hosting a Veteran's Job Fair.

The Michigan National Guard Veteran's Job Fair will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday through Friday, Nov. 7-9, inside the Michigan National Guard Joint Forces Headquarters Lansing, located 3411 N. Martin Luther King Blvd.

The events are free and open to any veteran and or their spouse.

"Our incredible servicemen and women need to know that America values them not simply for what they can do in uniform, but for what they can do when they come home," said Maj. Gen. Gregory Vadna, the director of the Michigan Department of Military and

Veterans Affairs and the Adjutant General of the Michigan National Guard. "It's a win on all sides."

Individuals are encouraged to attend. Dress is business casual and prospective employees should bring several copies of their resume for employers. Several employers will interview and hire on the premises.

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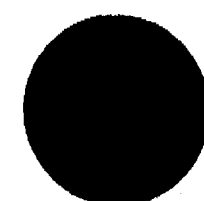
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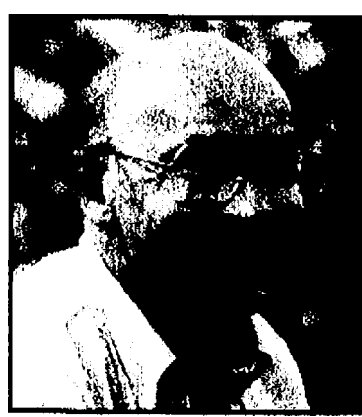
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Issues and Opinions



Almanack

by Richard Milliman

Voters face l-o-n-g ballot on November 6

MICHIGAN VOTERS face a formidable task on November 6 when they help pick our president for the next four years.

It won't be simple.

When I opened my absentee ballot to figure out in advance what all I had to decide, I was taken a bit aback by what is expected of a conscientious voter. It's a long ballot, and there are things on there I didn't really expect.

I'm glad I'm voting absentee. I suspect the voter lines at polling places will be long, and the final vote tallies will be slow.

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THE MAIN question, of course, is to elect a president.

Of course, we will not be voting directly for Mitt Romney-Paul Ryan or Barack Obama-Joe Biden. The actual vote is for "Electors of the President and Vice-President of the United States." These presidential electors are not even named. They are selected by the winning political party.

Four other political parties are listed on the ballot; three have candidates for president and vice president.

Virgil H. Goode, Jr., and James N. Clymer are running on the U.S. Taxpayers Party. Jill Stein and Cheri Honkala are on the Green Party. Ross C. Anderson and Luis

Rodriguez are candidates for the Natural Law Party. I don't know any of them.

The Libertarian Party also offers candidates for several lesser races, but not for the presidency.

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NEXT ON THE ballot is US Senator. Along with Democrat Debbie Stabenow and Republican Pete Hoekstra, candidates are Scotty Boman, Libertarian; Richard A. Matkin, US Taxpayers; Harley Mikkelsen, Green; and John D. Litle, Natural Law.

In my congressional district, Libertarian and Green parties also offer alternatives to the incumbent Republican and challenging Democratic candidates. The situation will vary in other districts.

For state office, this is not an election year for the Michigan state senate, but all 110 state house offices will be decided, and some of those may or may not attract the minor parties.

Statewide education offices have drawn a plethora of candidates.

Nine candidates are listed for two seats on the State Board of Education, ten for the University of Michigan Board of Regents, eight for Michigan State University Trustees, and eight for Wayne State University Governors.

Education candidates are identified by party, which helps voters to decide, but it's easy to understand why votes for the education boards usually trail the rest of the ticket, and are carried by the coat tail effect.

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COUNTY AND township officers, which are the final offices selected on a partisan basis, are next. On my ballot, all of these offices are contested except county prosecutor.

I read this as an indication that voter interest in the 2012 election is pretty intense, and control of local government is highly contested between the two major parties.

Up to this point, voters have the option of voting a straight party ticket, with a single swipe of the voting utensil. That would save the trouble of picking individual candidates.

Personally I have never voted a straight party ticket. I won't this year and probably never will. I never have agreed completely with the choices of either Democratic or Republican parties.

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AFTER LOCAL offices on the official ballot come the judges, and here the voter has to pay attention and know the candidates.

For example, the Michigan Supreme Court has two separate ballot questions.

First is electing two members of the Supreme Court for eight year terms. Only Justice Stephen Markman has any identity listed, with "Justice of Supreme Court" printed in smaller type under his name. Very seldom do incumbent justices, carrying that identity, lose an election. It happens, but it's unusual.

The names of six other candidates are listed bare. To make an intelligent choice, the voter must study who these candidates are. Republicans have nominated two of them, including Justice Markman, and Democrats have nominated two. The other three candidates listed are self-starters, or nominated by the minor parties. Which is which is not apparent.

A second Supreme Court election will pick one candidate to serve through 2014, the balance of a term to which Justice Brian Zahra was appointed by Gov. Rick Snyder in 2013. Justice Zahra also carries the "Justice of the Supreme Court" identification, and he was nominated by Republicans. The two other candidates are not identified in any way.

Next on the ballot is the State Court of Appeals, selected on a

regional basis, followed by more local courts. Usually the magic of incumbency designation winnows challenges to any of these court jobs, but when death, retirement, resignation or other reason brings an open court seat, the competition is intense.

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LOCAL EDUCATION offices, if any, are next on the ballot, followed by the six very controversial statewide proposals, one calling for repeal of a new state law on emergency finance managers, and the other five to amend the state constitution in highly questionable ways.

In many areas, that's where the ballot finally stops. However, local school, municipal or county proposals, many for local tax questions, finish the voter's responsibilities.

It's a tough job, being a good citizen, but it's worth all the trouble.

Here's a suggestion to voters: You might consider bringing a sandwich or other energy reinforcement to the voting booth on November 6.

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Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

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ber must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

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Letters to the Editor

The school does have an election on Nov. 6

To the editor:

On Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2012, we do have a school election. This is a Renewal, plus the election of one School Board member.

The renewal does not affect any one's primary residence, their homestead property. This is a renewal, not a tax increase. The school does not get any extra funding with a "yes" vote, we could only lose with a "no" vote. A "yes" vote is necessary for us to continue to get the funding

we already have, nothing more. A "yes" vote allows us to continue to collect the non-homestead taxes which are almost one third of our funding. If, for some awful reason, the issue was voted down, the state will not make up the funding, and we would lose almost five million dollars.

Our children deserve a good education in decent surroundings. Please vote "yes" on the renewal.

Lewis Madill
Frederic

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WANTED OLD PHOTOS!

We accept old photos for the "Historically Speaking" portion in our paper. Please submit your photos with information at The Avalanche office, 102 Michigan Ave., Grayling.

Briefs

Church hosts annual Harvest Dinner

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, Michigan Avenue, Grayling, will host its annual Harvest Dinner on Thursday, Oct. 25, from 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. The meal includes turkey and all the trimmings. Cost is \$9 for adults, \$4 for children ages 6-12, under 6 eat free. Take-out orders available only between 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Community Family FunFest to be held

Resurrection Life Center will hold their 5th annual Trunk or Treat - a community family FunFest, to be held on Wednesday, Oct. 31, from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. There will be a hayride, candy, treats, games, prizes, hotdogs and more. The center is located 2.2 miles east of Burger King, look for the sign. For more information, call 348-1000.

Caregiver workshop to be held

The Creating Confident Caregiver workshop, geared towards helping caregivers take care of loved ones with dementia, Alzheimer's, closed head injuries, or other memory loss issues, is a 6-week course, starting Oct. 30, and will meet from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. weekly at the Grayling City Hall. There is no charge for the workshop or for any of the materials that are provided. To register for the workshop or for more information, please call Jill at 989-344-4409.

COA to provide Medicare help

The COA (Commission on Aging) will provide free counseling and application assistance for those residents who would like to review their Medicare Prescription Drug Plan (Part D) for the 2013 year. Open enrollment is Oct. 15 through Dec. 7. Call 348-7123 for an appointment. On Tuesday, Oct. 30 at 6 p.m., Rick Grisham of Edward Jones Investments will speak on Smart choices in your retirement years.

Township to hold Trunk or Treat

Beaver Creek Township will hold Trunk or Treat at the Beaver Creek Township Park on Wednesday, Oct. 31, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Community Center will be open. Questions, call Cindy or Roger Weatherly.

GMS to hold Haunted House

The Grayling Middle School Student Council Haunted House will be Wednesday, Oct. 31, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Middle School. Admission is a non-perishable food item or \$1 which will go to the Crawford County Christian Community Help Center.

Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new Web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to crawford-countyavalanche.com, click on community and go to the community calendar.

Jack-o-lantern hayrides held at Wellington Farm Park

Wellington Farm Park has jack-o-lantern hayrides each evening before Halloween starting on Friday, Oct. 26.

Hayrides begin at 6 p.m. and will continue until 9 p.m. Price of the Hayride is \$5 per person regardless of age. These hayrides are in keeping with the Halloween traditions however, Wellington Farm, USA is a living history museum depicting the worst year of the Great Depression, 1932.

In addition to the more than one hundred jack-o-lanterns that will light the route of the hayride, the interior portions of the park has been decorated in recognition of the season. In keeping with this, there will be plenty of ghosts, goblins, witches and black cats. But also, in keeping with the traditions of the Great Depression there will be no blood, gore and chainsaw massacres.

Everyone who partici-

pates in the hayride will also be treated to a very traditional 1932 era Halloween Party complete with cider and donuts. Hayrides will leave the farm's Visitor Center every 20 minutes.

The farm's visitor center/gift shop will be open offering a wide variety of locally hand made gift items. Brooms hand made in the Wellington Farm Broom Shop will also be available. The farm has a large quantity of pumpkins and winter squash available for purchase.

Wellington Farm, USA is located at 6944 S. Military Road in Grayling. The farm is easily accessed from either Exit 251 of I-75 or Exit 206 of US-127. For more information call 989-348-5187 during business hours or visiting the web-site at www.wellington-farmpark.org or visit us on Facebook.

Raffle Winners

Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for Oct. 21 of \$25 each; Bill O'Mara, Eddie Blaha, Rich Calkins, Terry Norman and Kathy Olson.

Grayling Lions Club

The winner of the Grayling Lions Club Lucky 13 raffle for Oct. 19 was Ken Potter.

Program announces complete restoration and full state funding for at-risk youth

Jimmie Jones from the Michigan Youth ChalleNge Academy (MYCA) is hosting an orientation for the January class at the Grayling National Guard Armory on Oct. 27 at 10 a.m. The goals of the orientation are to familiarize new applicants with the ChalleNge Program and to fill the largest class since 2009.

The Academy was removed from the 2010 state budget. However, it was able to survive on less than half of its original funding through negotiations. The State Legislature and Governor's Office approved the Program for 1.5 Mil for the Fiscal year 2013, which will enable the MYCA to return to its previous size of over 200 accepted applicants per class.

The Michigan Youth ChalleNge Academy is a 22-week resident course designed to help high

school dropouts or at-risk youth earn a GED or high school diploma, improve life skills, and gain employment in a military-style environment. In addition to 400 hours of classroom instruction, students receive leadership skills, self-discipline, and physical and vocational training. They also perform a minimum of 40 hours of Service to Community while earning fifteen college credit hours through Kalamazoo Valley Community College.

The Program is administered by the Michigan National Guard and is open to any 16 to 18 year old Michigan high school dropout without a felony conviction. There is no cost to participate and no obligation to join the military. More information can be found at www.ngycp.org/mi or call Jimmie Jones, admissions and graduate affairs at (269) 968-1230 or 1-800-372-0523.

Mercy Hospital Grayling to host free Coumadin education class

Did you know that there are over 200 medications that can interact with Coumadin? Did you know that leafy greens can affect your Coumadin levels? Your diet and lifestyle also play a big factor in the management of your Coumadin.

Mercy Hospital Grayling's Coumadin Clinic has been serving the unique needs for patient's taking Coumadin for over a year and a half. The Coumadin Clinic is run by Dr. Michelle Wilcox, a licensed pharmacist who is certified in anticoagulation (Coumadin) therapy management.

"I am very excited to offer this unique service to our communities. My goal is to teach patients about Coumadin so that they can make healthy decisions by providing one-on-one care," said Dr. Wilcox. Patients need to know it's more than just about their INR."

To make sure that you know everything you need to know about managing

your Coumadin and have the opportunity to enroll in our Coumadin Clinic, the hospital is holding a free community education class on Monday, Oct. 29 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Huron Pines Room at Mercy Hospital Grayling. There will be a slide presentation followed by a question and answer period with Dr. Wilcox. The session will last approximately one hour and refreshments will be provided.

No registration is required. Call the Coumadin Clinic with questions at (989) 348-0809.

Pageant in northern Michigan open for contestant registration

Registration is now open for the Miss Pride of the Peninsulas Scholarship Pageant. The pageant is an affiliate of the Miss America Organization and the Miss Michigan Scholarship Program. The titleholders will represent northern Michigan at the state pageant.

There are four divisions open for women to participate in: Miss, Outstanding Teen, Little Miss, and the Princess Program.

The Miss division is for women who are high school seniors to age 24; Outstanding Teen is for girls 13 to high school juniors; Little Miss is for girls 9-12; and the Princess Program is a non-competitive program for girls 5-12.

Winners from the programs will receive scholarships to pursue their education, whether in talent or college academics.

Little Miss Pride of the Peninsulas will be crowned on Dec. 8, and Miss Pride of the Peninsulas and Miss Pride's Outstanding Teen will be crowned on Dec. 9, all at Grayling High School.

To register or for eligibility rules go to www.missprideofthepeninsulas.weebly.com or email pride@missmichigan.org.

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The Bible Speaks Why They Hate Us

Guilty ridden liberals who always blame America first, frequently ask, "Why do they hate us?" Our history reveals the answer. America's war with terrorist tyranny did not begin on September 11, 2001 when Muslim extremists destroyed the World Trade Center killing approximately 3000 innocent people. Muslim terrorists first bombed the World Trade Center in 1993. Muslim terrorists had been at war with us for many generations before the bombing of the USS Cole in 2000, or the bombing of U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania in 1996, or the bombing of the Pan Am Flight in 1988, or the bombing of the West Berlin discotheque to kill American soldiers in 1986, or the bombing of our Marine barracks in Beirut in 1983, or the taking of hostages at the U.S. embassy in Iran in 1979. This is only a more recent history of the terrorist war against America.

Joseph Farah reminded us in the World Net Daily that this war began at the very birth of our nation. In 1784 while George Washington was president, our first Congress commissioned Thomas Jefferson, John Adams and Benjamin Franklin to go to Paris and attempt to open markets for U.S. products in Europe. Jefferson quickly discovered that America's greatest threat to free trade came from an Islamic group known as the "Barbary pirates."

Jefferson understood that these were not just normal pirates. They didn't drink, chase women, or seek wealth like other pirates, but were motivated strictly by their Islamic religion. Like the "terrorists" of today they engaged in jihad and called themselves "mujahiddin." Like the terrorists of today they did not hesitate to enslave and kill people to promote their cause.

Because America did not have any warships, Jefferson asked the European leaders how they had been handling this problem. He discovered that both France and England had been paying tribute to the pirates which in turn enabled them to expand their weaponry and

armada so they could hijack more ships, enslave more people, and demand a greater ransom.

After researching the history of militant Islam, Jefferson discovered that appeasement had always failed because the terrorists only made treaties to break them when their strength increased. So as Farah said, "As the first secretary of state, Jefferson urged the building of a navy to rescue American hostages held in North Africa and to deter future attacks on U.S. ships. In 1792, he commissioned John Paul Jones to go to Algiers under the guise of diplomatic negotiations, but with the real intent of sizing up a future target for a naval attack."

Then as Farah said, America was struck with its first mega-terror attack by jihadists. In the fall of 1793, the Algerians seized 11 U.S. merchant ships and enslaved more than 100 Americans. When word of the attack reached New York, the stock market crashed. Voyages were canceled in every major port. Seamen were thrown out of work. Ship suppliers went out of business. What Sept. 11 did to the U.S. economy in 2001, the mass shipjacking of 1793 did to the fledgling U.S. economy in that year."

So in 1805 Lieutenant Presley O'Bannon and the U.S. Marines marched across 600 miles of North Africa's Libyan desert to storm the fortified Tripolitan City of Derna. As the Marine Hymn goes: "From the halls of Montezuma, To the shores of Tripoli, We fight our country's battles in the air, on land, and sea. First to fight for right and freedom, And to keep our honor clean, We are proud to claim the title Of United States Marines."

The threats of Islamic terrorists gave birth to the first U.S. Navy. Only God can preserve our military strength and protect our citizens. Let us never forget Psalm 33:12: "Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance. Happy is that people, whose God is the LORD;" (Psa. 144:15) Only our God is more hated than our nation. May we never be ashamed of our God who made us the greatest nation on earth. Pastor "B"

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Obituaries

Mary Bonkowski
Mary Theresa Bonkowski, 99, of Grayling, passed away on Friday, October 19, 2012.

Mary was born in Bridgeport, Conn. on August 27, 1913, daughter of the late Mary (Popp) and John Ritz.

She married William J. Bonkowski, Sr. on May 3, 1932. He preceded her in death in 1978 after 46 years of marriage.

Mary was retired from Chrysler. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Grayling. Mary served for 35 years on the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary.

She is survived by her son, William J. (Jackie) Bonkowski, Jr., of Grayling; grandchildren, William J. Bonkowski III of Grayling and Mary Jo (Michael) Fullerton of Acme.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; one brother; and two sisters.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Grayling, at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, October 23, with Rev. Robbie Deka officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mercy Manor Activity Fund or AuSable Valley Animal Shelter.

Interment will be at Elmwood Cemetery.

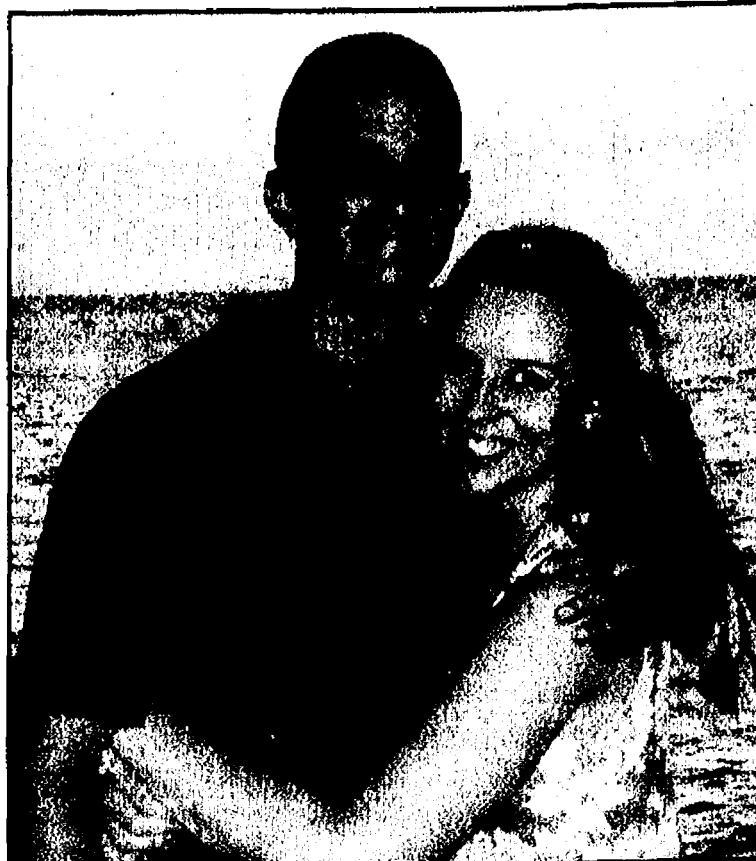
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In memory of Weldon "Pa" Rex Wakeley, October 28, 2011.

In tears I saw you sinking, I watched you fade away. My heart was fully broken, you fought so hard to stay. But when I saw you sleeping, so peaceful, free from pain, I could not wish you back to suffer that again. A million times I needed you, one million times I cried. If love could have saved you, you never would have died. If I could only have one wish, one dream that would come true, I'd pray to God with all my heart for yesterday and you.

Wife, Donna, children and families

Morford, Lake engaged



Emily Morford and Jarrod Lake

Jamie (Leonard) Morford and Ryan Morford of Holland, announce the engagement of their daughter, Emily Anne, to Jarrod Alan Lake, son of Greg and Sonia Lake of Roscommon.

Emily graduated from Holland High School in 2009 and Michigan State University in 2012. She is a certified teacher in secondary math and economics. She is currently doing her student teaching at Kentwood Public Schools.

Jarrod is a 2008 graduate

of Roscommon High School and graduated from Olivet College in 2012. He is currently employed as a Roscommon County Juvenile Probation Officer and is in the U.S. Air Force Reserves where he serves as a civil engineer.

The couple has selected December 29, 2012 as their wedding date to be held at 4 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Holland.

They plan to reside in Roscommon County.

Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Oct. 26 - Lunch - chicken tenders, scalloped potatoes, green beans and orange sections. No Dinner. 10 a.m. card golf, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo and Pool - 9 Ball.

Monday, Oct. 29 - Lunch - lemon pepper chicken with noodles, broccoli, carrots and fruit cocktail. Dinner - stuffed peppers, mashed potatoes, asparagus and peaches. 10 a.m. quilting, 12:30 p.m. Beginning Clogging, 1 p.m. Bridge, 1:30 p.m. Clogging, 2:30 p.m. Bunco.

Tuesday, Oct. 30 - Lunch

- BBQ pork sandwich, baked beans, coleslaw and watermelon. Dinner - turkey with stuffing, gravy, green bean casserole, corn and an orange. 10 Bible Study and Zumba Gold, 1 p.m. Euchre, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks, 6 p.m. Financial Series.

Wednesday, Oct. 31 - Lunch - Pollock, boiled red skins, snow peas and apple-sauce. Dinner - bucket of bones, green fingers, silence of the yams, spooky eyeballs and witches hats. 10 a.m. line dancing, 1 p.m. pool, Wii Bowling, Mahjong, 5 p.m. Light Fright Night - costumes.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

Military News

Dakota C. Millikin
Dakota C. Millikin of Grayling, has completed basic combat training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. Millikin is a member of the Joint Maneuver Training Center Camp Grayling, Michigan Army National Guard, and is assigned as a military policeman.

Millikin is a senior at Grayling High School and upon graduation, in June 2013, will be sent to Fort Leonard Wood to complete his military police school. Millikin and is the son of Tammy Miller and Chris Millikin of Grayling.

Abbey Thomas
Abbey Thomas of Frederic, has completed basic combat and advanced individual training at Fort Jackson, S.C. Thomas is a member of the Joint Maneuver Training Center Camp Grayling, Michigan Army National Guard, and is assigned as a human resource specialist.

Thomas is a 2011 graduate of Grayling High School and is a member of the Reserve Officer Training Corps at Central Michigan University. Thomas is pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in Biomedical Sciences and is the daughter of Jamie and Shawn Thomas of Frederic.

Library News

"American Ghouls Just Wanna Have Fun" at Devereaux Memorial Library on Thursday, Oct. 25 at 3:30 p.m. Our third and final program is a scream as we dream up Halloween costumes...for our dolls. No-sew fun for all doll types and sizes. American Girls ages 6-12 can become fashionistas of fun by signing up. The winner of the Friends of the Library American Girl doll raffle will be drawn at 5:30 p.m.

"Teen Movie Night" will be at Devereaux Memorial Library on Friday, Oct. 26 at 6 p.m. Teens and tweens will enjoy Iron Man, Captain America, Thor, Hawkeye and the Hulk at our library showing of "The Avengers", rated PG-13. Families welcome, too. Sign up.

The Crawford County Library Literary (C.C.L.L.) Book Club will meet at Devereaux Memorial Library on Tuesday, Oct. 30 at 5 p.m. This month's discussion is on "Dean & Me (A Love Story)" by Jerry Lewis led by book club member Paula Sells.

Let's talk about the Civil War! Join Devereaux Memorial Library in "Making Sense of the American Civil War" a reading and discussion series beginning in November. The Crawford County Library System was selected to receive a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Library Association to cover five sessions taking place from November 2012 through January 2013. A Civil War scholar will lead each session and books are available for check out that pertain to each program. If you are interested in taking part in one or more discussions or have any Civil War paraphernalia for our display case, please contact Jane at (989) 348-9214.

Sheriff's Report

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 71 complaints the week of Oct. 15 - Oct. 21.

Two EMS responses, two missing persons, 13 general non-criminal complaints, two false alarm activation, one criminal sexual conduct third degree-penetration, one criminal sexual conduct second degree-forcible contact, two assault and batteries/simple assaults, one burglary/home invasion, four larcenies, one larceny-personal property from vehicle, four larcenies-other, two fraud complaints, one illegal use of credit card, one damage to property, one disorderly conduct, two public peace/disorderly complaints, three operating with a blood alcohol content of 17 percent or more, one health and safety, one conservation, four miscellaneous arrests, two traffic accidents, one traffic violations-civil infraction, one traffic safety public appearance, seven investigations-family trouble, nine investigations-suspicious situations and two reckless driving complaints.

Sheriff Wakefield asks, "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

CHURCH Service DIRECTORY

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor: Patricia Petrie
989-348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
• Sunday School: 10am
• Sunday Morning Celebration: 11am
• Wednesday Evening Service
Worship & Prayer: 7pm
URL: <http://burningbushtabernacle.com>
Pastor: patricia@burningbushtabernacle.com

Calvary Baptist Church
Pastor: Dr. Robert Barnett
Sunday School: 9:45am
Morning Worship: 10:30am
Evening Worship: 6pm
Wednesday: 7pm
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed): 7pm
989-348-9220
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St. Francis Episcopal Church
The Rev. Elizabeth M. Chace, Rector
6441 West M-72, Grayling, MI
Church office: 989-348-5850
saintfrancis@frontier.com
Sunday Worship Services at 9:30am
Wednesday Holy Eucharist 8:30am
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Thrift Shop: Tue-Sat 11am-4pm 989-348-2572
G.R.A.C.E. Center: Mon-Fri 9am-5pm 989-348-2544

Resurrection Life Center
Pastor: Joe & Marilyn Jean
Sunday Service: 10:30am
Midweek Services (Wed): 7pm
Mail: 2640 West M-72 Grayling, MI 49738
reslifeccenter.com
Email: reslifeccenter@reslifeccenter.com
M-72 West - (989) 348-1000

Bear Lake Christian Church
Pastor: Scott Hoffer
231 E. Bear Lake Rd., Kalkaska, MI
(Corner of M-72 & Bear Lake Rd.)
231-258-6107
Sunday Worship - 10am
Sunday School - 9am
Youth Group - Wed. Evenings 6:30pm
Prayer Meeting - Wed. Evenings 5:30pm
Adult Bible Study - Wed. Evenings 6:45pm
Women's Bible Study - Thurs. 10am & 7pm
Third Saturday of each month:
Free Pancake Breakfast 8:30am - 10am
www.bearlakechristianchurch.org

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church
905 N. 1-75 Business Loop
Grayling, MI 49738
989-348-5921
Pastor: Todd Brunworth
Sunday - Bible Class 10am
Worship Service 11am

Lucella Community Chapel
Pastor Sam Smith
8133 Bald Hill Rd. off Co Rd 612
989-348-2701
Sunday School 9:30 am
Sunday Morning Worship 11am
Wednesday Evening Worship 7 pm

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Ad money pays off, increasing state tourism

by Silu Guo

Capital News Service

LANSING — Pure Michigan, regional tourism organizations and researchers are working together to attract visitors from out of Michigan, and spending less money to do it than other states.

"In 2012 there are six outstanding states for tourism. Among them Hawaii spends \$75 million on advertising, California spends \$61 million, Florida spends \$36 million and Michigan's budget is only \$25 million," said Paul Stansbie, chair of the Department of Hospitality and Tourism Management at Grand Valley State University.

Stansbie said despite the challenged economy last year, the number of tourists increased 4 percent throughout the world.

"People still travel — the only change is how much they spend on their trip," he said. "For us, the challenge is how to let them choose Michigan."

Sally Laukitis, executive director of the Holland Area Convention and Visitors bureau, said her agency is spending \$550,000 in direct advertising this year.

She said advertising is an important tool to attract tourists.

"Our budget has increased significantly and I would like to grow our marketing budget in the future," she said. "The more money you have, the more profit you will see."

"All you have to do is travel through Michigan to notice what a beautiful place it is in terms of nature beauty, arts and wine," Mike Norton, media relations director from Traverse City Convention and Visitors Bureau.

He said for decades, Michigan never let anybody else know about it and the state suffered from it.

"The state's tourism industry improved hugely in the last six years by promotion and advertising," Norton said. "It brings huge advantages to our economy. "Traverse City is in great shape now because of tourism and because money comes back to us in terms of revenue," he said.

According to Pure Michigan, the advertising campaign created by Travel Michigan, Michigan's tourism industry brought in \$ 17.7 billion revenue in 2011.

Stansbie, from Grand Valley, said, "The state can get a strong return on its money. Right now for every one dollar we spend on advertising we can get \$4.90 in revenue for the state. We are only spending money to get money."

Pure Michigan's \$25 million budget this year is almost five times more than in \$5.4 million budget in 2011, according to Michelle Begnoche, communications advisor for the agency.

She said this year the campaign focuses on national tourist destinations.

"This summer we have a 23 percent increase in visi-

tors from outside the state," said Norton from the Traverse City Bureau.

Norton said Traverse City made a huge push to reach out-of-state visitors seven or eight years ago.

"Almost 90 percent of visitors to Traverse City came from the state," he said. "We have new visitors from Germany and the United Kingdom and an increased number of visitors from Asia."

"Since the economy was struggling more we began advertising outside the state," Norton said. "It is not huge but since we started from zero, it is notable for us."

He said Traverse City has spent \$4 million this year and most of it goes into promotional advertising.

"One of the benefits of attracting visitors from areas outside the state is that the farther people travel to get to their destination, the longer they are likely to stay and the more money they are likely to spend while there," Begnoche said.

She said among the three advertising campaigns Pure Michigan conducted this year, the largest was its spring/summer campaign, which included a national cable advertising series that focused on attracting international tourists.

"Regional markets are being targeted by our fall campaign," she said. They include Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Toledo, Indianapolis, Fort Wayne, South Bend, Milwaukee and Green Bay.

She also said travelers in Michigan are now largely familiar with the Pure Michigan brand.

"We are now taking that message further out — especially to areas of the country like Texas and the southern states — that Michigan is a terrific national tourism destination."

The television commercials air nationally more than 5,000 times on 25 cable networks, including news channels and others such as the golf, cooking and weather channels.

Stansbie said Pure Michigan uses different strategies to promote the state.

"One is motivated advertising," he said. "They try to say that Michigan can take you back to nature."

He said another strategy is providing one theme for each hot spot around the state to attract all travelers. "Sunlight is one of them and the Great Lakes is another one,"

Regional tourism groups are partnering with Pure Michigan to promote their own areas, according to Norton from the Traverse City bureau.

"We have a series of buses in Chicago that have Traverse City ads on them," he said. "We have billboards in Times Square advertising Traverse City."

Laukitis said the Holland bureau is working with Pure Michigan but at the same time, promoting Holland in newspapers, magazines and social

medias

"We are creating a new website," Laukitis said.

"We are working on radio and buying full page ads in women's magazines that go to specific geographical areas such as Detroit, Indianapolis and South Bend. We have our ads on professional sports media and we are also doing promotion with university programs."

And the outcome is successful, Stansbie said.

In 2011, 36 percent of people in the world were aware of Michigan, compared to the 21 percent in 2010, he said.

And Laukitis said 1.2 to 1.3 million people visited the Holland area in 2011.

"Every year we see a lot of international visitors. That's remained pretty con-

sistent over the last 9-10 years," she said.

She said last year Holland had visitors from 64 foreign countries and 49 states —all except Rhode Island.

Stansbie said, "Puremichigan.org is the No. 1 tourism website in the country. Hawaii has three times the budget compared with ours but we still have more people check out the website."

He said tourism officers and researchers need to keep working with the state government to continuously reinforce the market through advertising.

"We are almost there," he said. "But the thing is, if you put it away a few years, a lot of the awareness will be gone. That is a waste of money."

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Grayling Fire Department teaches fire safety at school

The Grayling Fire Department brought the Smoke House to the Grayling Elementary School last week to teach kindergarten through second grade students fire safety.

Capt. Steve Eddy, a firefighter and fire marshal for the Grayling Fire Department, and Mike Arwood, a firefighter and fire inspector, explained the importance of having a meeting spot, smoke detec-

tors, knowing your address and phone number, how to stop, drop and roll along with other fire safety lessons.

The children crawled through the Smoke House, a trailer set up like a real house that fills up with a fake smoke. It allows the children the opportunity to practice what to do in case of real fire.

"We have had families in the past experience a fire at their home and felt their

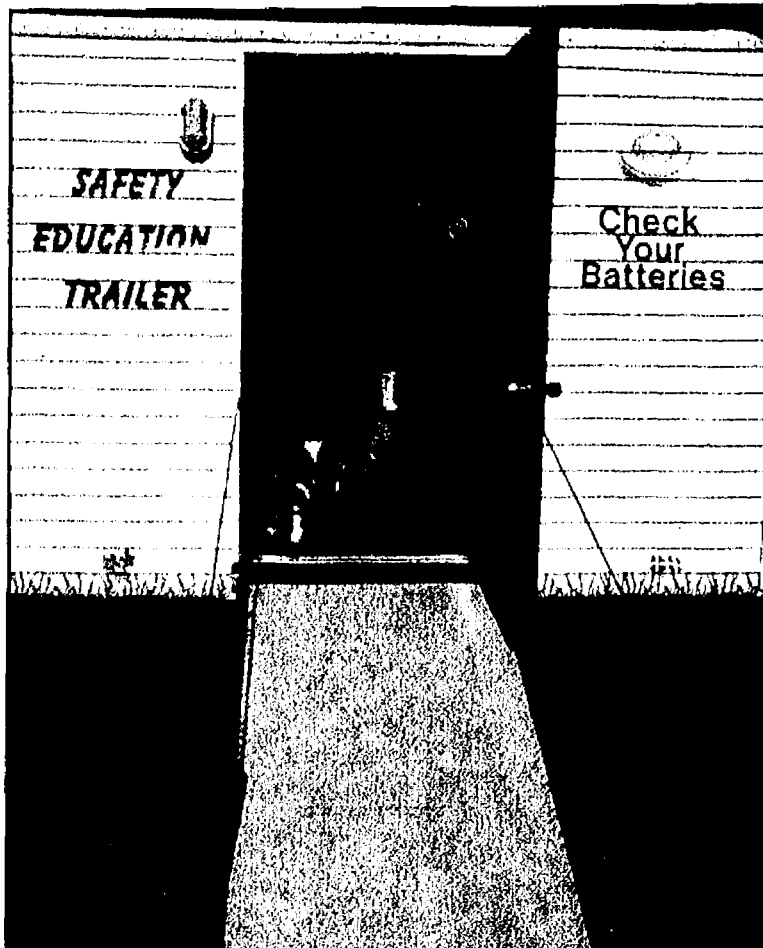
children's experience with the Smoke House was beneficial," said Cheryl Hatfield, a Grayling Elementary School second grade teacher. "The children are excited to participate and leave with valuable life skills."

The Grayling Fire Department has been providing fire safety education at the Grayling Elementary School for 30 years. In the beginning, the classes went to the fire station for a

tour and fire safety lessons. Over the years the fire department has added handouts, pencils, coloring books and stickers.

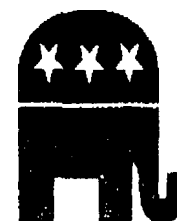
In 2004, the program started using the Smoke House right at Grayling Elementary School.

"We are very fortunate to have this opportunity for our students every year," Hatfield said. "The students enjoy it and share what they have learned at home with their families."



Above left, students from Cheryl Hatfield's second grade class crawl through the Smoke House as Mike Arwood, a firefighter and fire inspector for the Grayling Fire Department, holds the door. Above right, Arwood talks to students about fire safety.

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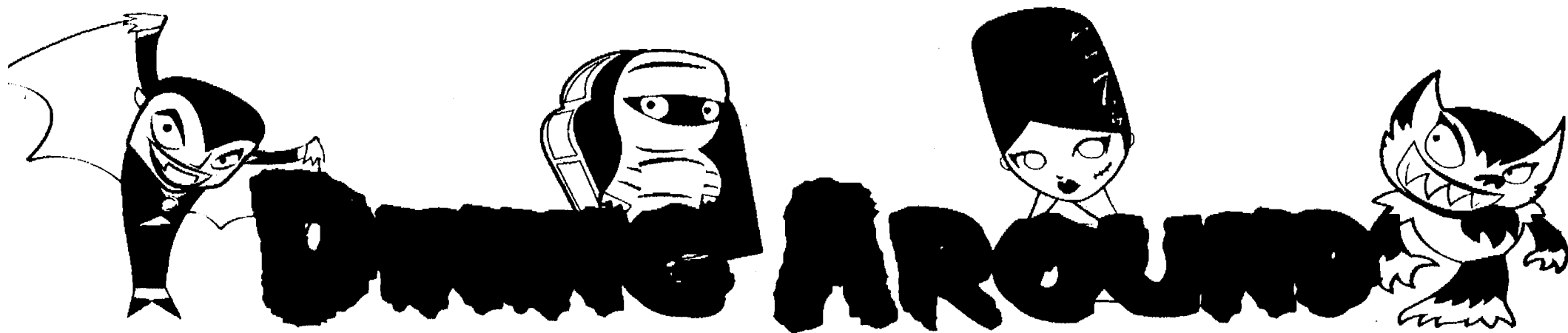
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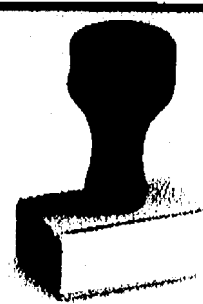
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ATS Advisors opens Grayling accounting office

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A retirement, merger and a grandson following in his grandfather's footsteps has resulted in a new accounting firm in Grayling.

ATS Advisors, a certified public accounting firm, recently opened a branch office at 1155 I-75 Business Loop.

ATS Advisors was founded in Plymouth in 1996. The firm has added branch offices in Harper Woods and Grayling in the last three years.

Travis Huber, the managing director for the Grayling office, was born and raised in Grayling and graduated from Grayling High School in 1999.

Huber worked with Michael Hettinger, who operated Pin Tax Service in Grayling for 40 years, the last five years.

Pin and ATS Advisors merged last December after Hettinger retired.

Pin operated out of Hettinger's home. ATS opted to move into a more visible location where it has a conference room and space to store files.



Photo by Dan Sanderson

ATS Advisors, a certified public accounting firm, recently opened a branch office at 1155 I-75 Business Loop. Above, Travis Huber, is the managing director for the Grayling office.

"We just want to be around and stay competitive in the market," Huber said.

ATS Advisors does most of its business by referrals and specializes in personal income tax and corporate accounting. The firm also handles bookkeeping, payroll, mergers, acquisitions, purchasing and selling businesses, business set ups and tax exempt organizations.

"We can do complete accounting from top to bottom for any firm," Huber said. "Our services are pretty unlimited at this point, especially with the merger."

Staff from the other ATS Advisors offices can also work on local accounts.

"We are able to share files and communicate on the secured networks that we have," Huber said.

Huber and Arica D'Amour, the office manager, staff the Grayling office. "We want to be big enough to serve you, but small enough to know you," Huber said.

Huber studied business management at Central Michigan for four years, but wanted a profession he could go into right out of

college. His grandfather, Richard "Dick" Huber, who owned and operated his own tax preparation service and had served the Grayling community for many years, suggested he become an accountant.

After Richard Huber passed away in April 2006, Travis earned his bachelor's of science in accounting from Davenport University.

"There probably would have been much easier steps to take if I would have done it when he mentioned it but that's kind of the line I'm following in," Huber said.

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A DOZEN MICHIGAN ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVE SPECIALTY CROP GRANTS

by Celeste Bott

Capital News Service

LANSING – Managing bees and saving cucumbers from disease are just two of the topics being studied in recent specialty crop grants.

This October in Michigan the federal government awarded grants to a dozen food and agriculture organizations for projects that include improving fruit production, promoting cleaner soil and studying crop pollination.

The \$1.3 million is divided among 12 recipients, including the Michigan Vegetable Council in Erie, Michigan Farm Bureau in Lansing, Lakeshore Environmental Inc. in Grand Haven and Michigan State University in East Lansing.

These organizations and their projects were selected by the state Department of Agriculture and Rural Development to receive the federal grants.

The department is in the process of developing an additional regional state grant program to further support such organizations and their food and agricultural research, said Jamie Clover Adams, the department director.

"We're working on a reimbursement program like these federal grants, but at a state level," Clover Adams said. "It would focus on a number of factors, like the problems we

have getting local foods to different venues, and regulating how much food is enough for those venues.

"We also want to develop new processes and conduct feasibility studies on how to process food better," she said.

In the meantime, the organizations that received federal aid have a green light for their own projects.

For example, David Smith, executive director of the Michigan Vegetable Council, said that the money will further research on crop disease.

"Right now there's a soil-borne disease called *Phytophthora capsici* that, if in soil, makes several crops impossible to grow," Smith said. "It's especially harmful to cucumbers, melons and squash. The grant money we receive will go toward studying this disease and hopefully making it less prevalent."

This research may prove to be greatly beneficial, because Michigan is one of the nation's leading producers of squash and cucumbers, according to the department.

Ken Nye, a Farm Bureau horticulture specialist, said that his organization will work with the Michigan office of National Agricultural Statistics, using its grant money to conduct a food inventory survey.

"If we know more about the food we produce and

what is required to produce it," Nye said, "we'll know how to market it."

This survey will focus on fruit production, which will prove useful because the fruit industry operates on a long-term basis, according to Nye.

"We want to come up with the most accurate inventory data in the industry so we can plan ahead," Nye said. "The market will be ready, and we can utilize fruit to its best potential."

Lakeshore Environmental, another grant recipient, is a consulting company that works with food processing businesses.

Jay Poll, project manager for the company, said that its concern—and his concern as a hydrogeologist—is the groundwater used in both the processing and irrigation of crops.

"Putting too much recycled water into crop soil can cause secondary groundwater contamination," Poll said. "This then causes bacterial growth and oxygen deficiency in that soil."

According to Poll, the company has found a way to get air into such soil through the insertion of tubes, a method that doesn't require electrical energy, though it has not yet been widely tested.

With the grant money, the company will go full scale with that project, Poll said.

"We're looking at a two-fold benefit," he said. "We

can make use of free water with nutrients, which is a definite advantage in drought years like this one. And food processors will be able to properly recycle the water they use."

Poll said that his company, along with the other grant recipients, is using the funds to further the agricultural industry.

"You figure the system we're developing might eventually make one acre worth five acres," Poll said. "This money can only help future food production. This is a great opportunity for our state's agricultural industry."

Michigan State University received the largest grant, \$300,600, which will go towards at least six different projects.

The university recently received another \$1.6 million federal grant that will support their research on specialty crop pollination through the management of bees.

Rufus Isaacs, an MSU entomology professor who will be leading project, said the research will significantly help specialty crop yields.

"Increasingly, people are consuming more of these fruits, vegetables, and nuts, and these all depend on pollination," Isaacs said. "As the demand increases, it will be essential that growers have the tools needed to ensure they can continue to supply this demand."

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Michigan damage so great that Forest Service stops counting ash killed by borer

by Jennifer Kalish
Capital News Service

LANSING - The threat from a metallic green beetle is still spreading quickly throughout the ash of the Great Lakes region, despite a recent national report that said fewer trees died in 2011 from harmful insects in the United States than previous years.

The region's drought can also seal the fate of sick and dying trees, the U.S. Forest Service reported.

Many ash already are dropping leaves or changing color earlier this year than usual - both mechanisms that trees use to cope with drought, said Deborah McCullough, a forest entomologist at Michigan State University.

"It's possible some insect populations could increase next summer as a result of this year's drought, but that is just really hard to predict," she said.

It doesn't seem like emerald ash borers will be leaving the region any time soon, experts say.

"Michigan has the worst infestation," said Robert Mangold, associate deputy chief for research and development at the Forest Service. It's so bad in fact, that this year the agency stopped surveying Michigan for the invasive beetle.

Every county in Michigan is now infected with the ash borer, Mangold said.

And McCullough said, "Conservatively, there's probably 80 million dead ash trees in the southern half of Michigan's Lower Peninsula alone. There's limited funding to do those kinds of surveys, so they're concentrating on the states that don't have significant outbreaks yet."

While western forests last

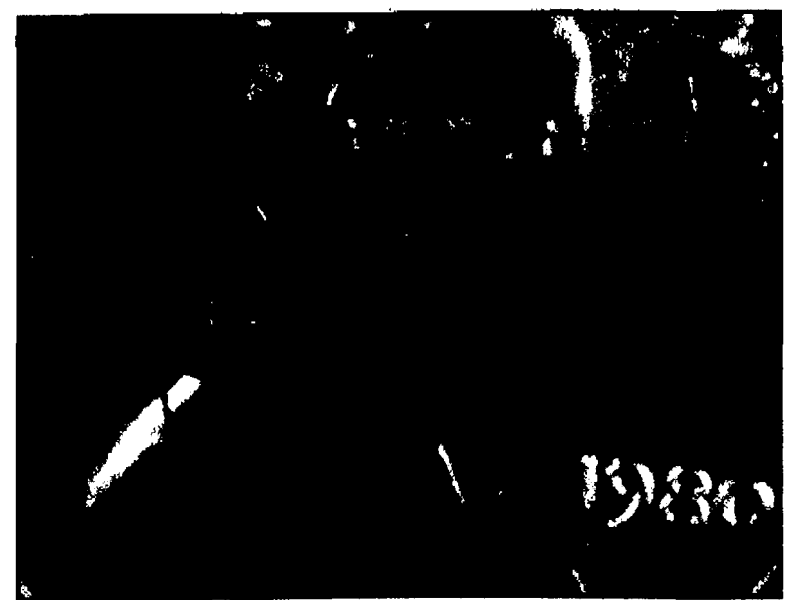


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Every county in Michigan is now infected with the Emerald Ash Borer.

year experienced a decline in deadly pests like the mountain pine beetle, which damaged 3 million fewer acres than in 2010, the emerald ash borer continues to thrive in the East, according to the Forest Service.

"The ash borer is the most destructive insect that's ever invaded North America," said McCullough. "It kills urban trees, landscape trees, forest trees and is affecting every species of ash in North America."

As of 2011, the beetle had invaded all eight Great Lake states and Ontario, according to the report.

Mangold said that pesticide injections can save individual trees, but it's not a realistic method to treat vast forests.

"It's beyond eradication in most areas, especially in the Great Lakes," he said. "We are working on biological controls and management techniques that tree farmers can use, but we are concerned about our ash resource."

"We're trying to manage the pests but it just continues to spread," Mangold said.

The ash borer spreads mostly by flying. But the Great Lakes are also partic-

ularly vulnerable because they often hide in wood packing material used to stabilize vessel cargo. There are regulations that require using pesticides to kill the invasive bugs, but they aren't foolproof, according to Mangold. "There's so much trade coming in that sometimes things get through," he said.

The beetle can spread in moving firewood and by traveling long distances with trees purchased from local nurseries.

The good news is that while destructive insects like the ash borer dominate the Great Lakes region, others like the gypsy moth have been rapidly decreasing. The moth defoliated less than 5,000 acres in 2011, compared with 1.2 million acres the year before, according to the Forest Service study.

The significant decrease is likely a result of the successive wet springs of the past few years, Mangold said.

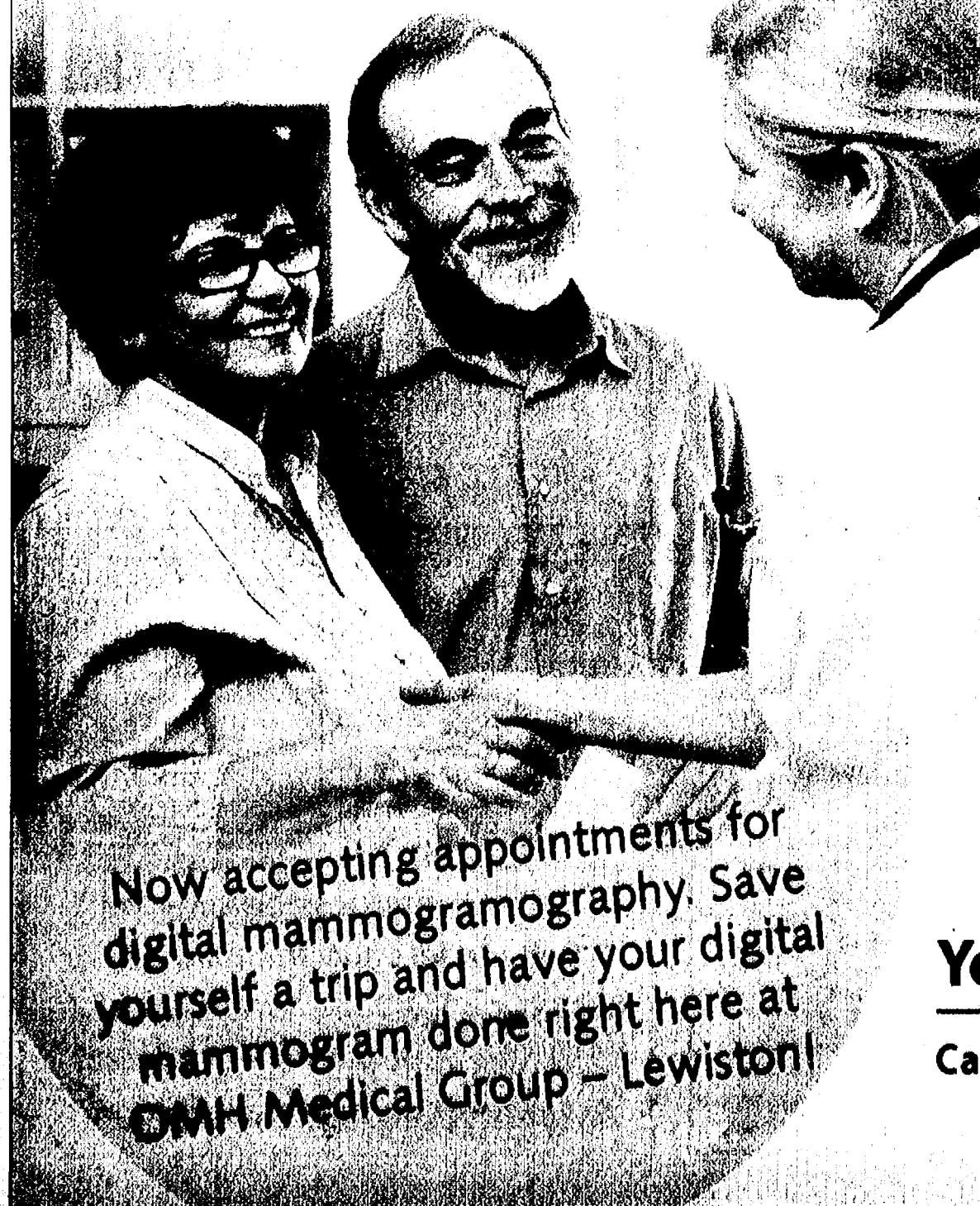
The Forest Service also played a significant role, he said. "We have a big intensive program called Slow the Spread along that advancing front, and that has slowed gypsy moths."

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Most Michigan youth unqualified for military service, report says

by Celeste Bott
Capital News Service

LANSING — An estimated three out of four young adults in Michigan are not qualified to serve in the military, according to a new report.

Mission Readiness, a national security organization based in New York, cited minimum standards for education, physical fitness and lack of a criminal record.

The group of retired military leaders advocates for investments in education. The goal is to help young Americans succeed in school, in hopes that more will grow up prepared for military service, should they choose to enlist.

The report, "Michigan Youth: Ready, Willing but Unable to Serve," presents statistics that showed a quarter of young people in the state don't graduate from high school on time. Of those who do, one in five cannot pass the academic exams required to enter the military.

Retired Maj. Gen. William Henderson, former commander of the Michigan Air National Guard, said that based on estimates from the Department of Defense, 75 percent of young Americans can't serve for three primary reasons: they have not graduated from high school, they are physically unfit or they have a criminal record.

"Because Michigan's problems with weight are similar to the national average and the state's prob-

lems with education are far worse than the national average, it is likely that three out of four young adults in Michigan can't join the military," he said.

Henderson and Retired Maj. Gen. Thomas Cutler, former state adjutant general of Michigan, said that improving early education programs is key.

They are working with Mission Readiness to make sure that happens.

According to the organization's communication officer, David Carrier, high-quality early education programs have already proven effective.

"Michigan launched its preschool program, Great Start Readiness, in 1985 and it has been operating long enough to see long-term strong results," he said.

According to Carrier, statistics show that children who attended the program were 25 percent more likely to graduate from high school on time.

Sen. Roger Kahn, R-Saginaw, has proposed a \$140 million expansion to the 2013 state budget, primarily to fund such early education programs. Cutler and Henderson used their visit to Saginaw to show support for his initiative.

Kahn cited additional statistics that he said are of great concern.

"The issue we're running into right now is that somewhere in the neighborhood of 75 percent of kids who leave high school are not eligible to enter the service because they have crimi-

nality, they are physically unfit or their education is inadequate," Kahn said.

Kahn said the situation isn't a problem only for the armed forces, but for anyone looking for a job in today's tough economic climate.

"What's required to have a job in the military and in the civilian workforce are not that different," he said. "So the fact that so few young people are prepared physically, intellectually or emotionally is a disaster."

"If this trend continues, we won't have a nation because we won't be able to defend it or maintain it," he said.

Kahn said that he hopes that the additional \$140 million will help reverse the current trend and change the way young people are educated at the earliest stages of development.

Right now we're trying to fix things that were broken much earlier," he said. "It's doing damage control later on, but not fixing the problem at the early stages. An infant or a child doesn't have a lobbyist. We can stand up for them now, and prevent these kinds of problems in the future."

As state adjutant general, Cutler experienced firsthand the difficulty of finding young adults fit for service.

"My job was to recruit and I had a large recruiting force working for me," Cutler said. "Very few people are qualified, and those who qualify are not always inclined. It really becomes

a challenge to find enough capable young people to volunteer."

Cutler said that improving early education is one of the best options to solve the problem.

"I'm absolutely convinced — and studies validate the fact — that high-quality early childhood education increases the probability that young people will graduate high school," he said. "And they have a better chance to grow up physically and emotionally healthy as well."

Cutler said that Kahn's proposal will save money in the long run.

"This is a problem that's been brewing over the years," Cutler said. "Currently the main way the military attracts young people is by creating incentives. We offer educational opportunities and enlistment bonuses."

"In the long term, we won't always be able to afford that. It would be cheaper to invest in early childhood education and raise young people to be the best they can be from the start."

According to Kahn, he has support from policymakers, media outlets and business leaders throughout the state, and that backing by groups like Mission Readiness or military leaders is a great start.

"The military has recognized the problem," said Kahn. "But it transcends the military."

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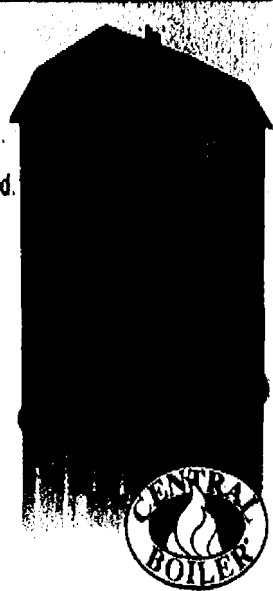
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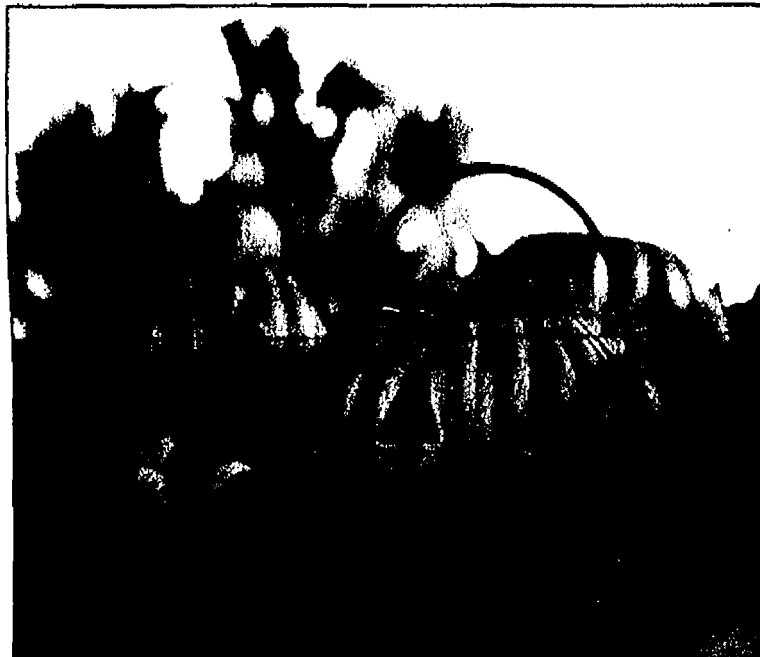


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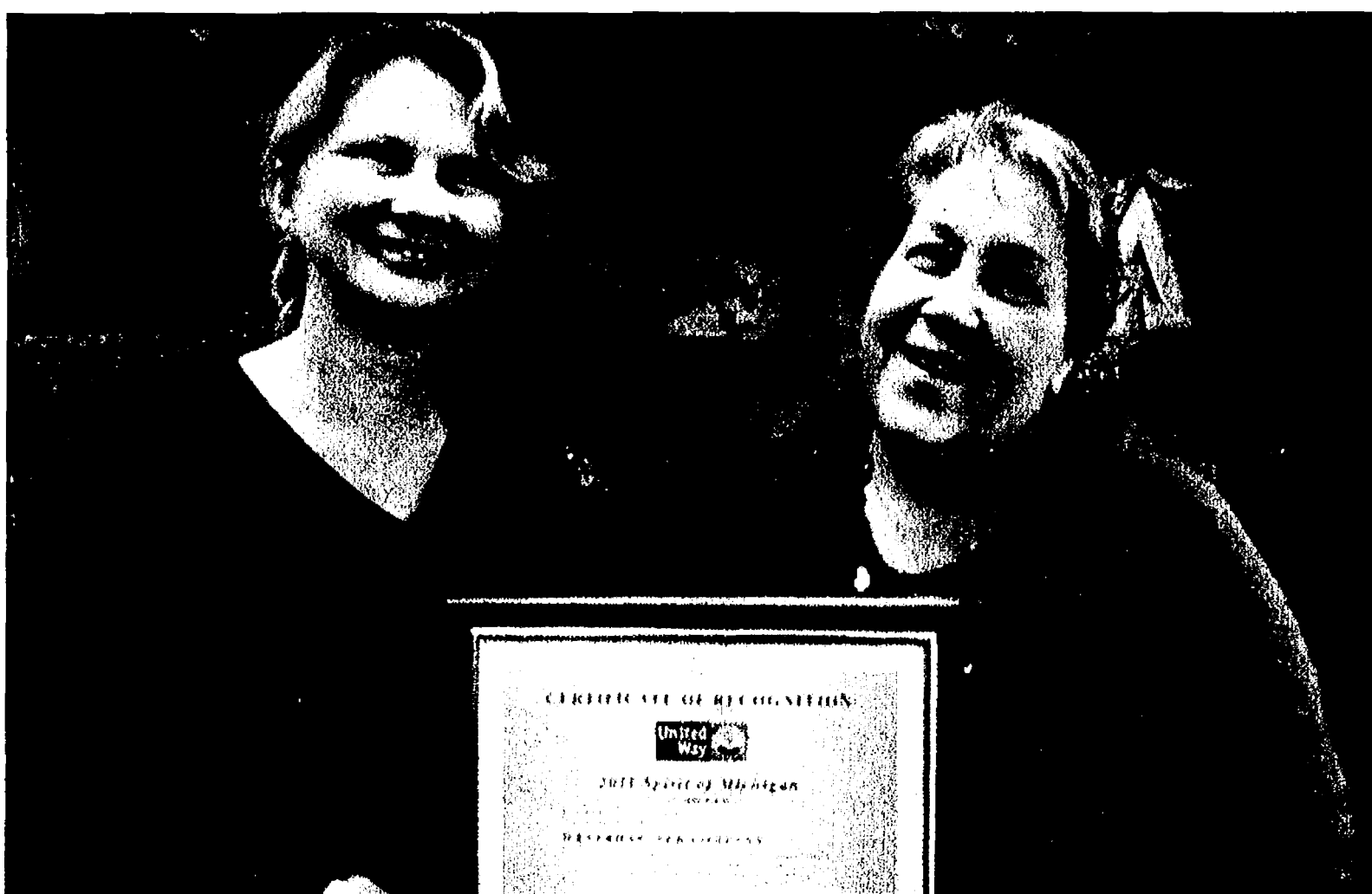
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Above, Crawford County United Way Executive Director Cheryll Ruley (right) presents the second Annual Spirit of Michigan Finalist Award to Rina Allen (left), mill manager at Weyerhaeuser Grayling OSB.

Secretary of State offers first-ever online training for election precinct workers

LANSING — Secretary of State is now offering the first-ever online training for Michigan's poll workers. The training is designed to promote consistency across polling places, to reinforce procedures that maintain integrity in the elections process and to help ensure ballot security.

Videos were created with input from county and local clerks around the state and is intended to supplement local or regional training efforts.

"This was a way for us to assist local clerks and the state's nearly 30,000 precinct workers who have such a critical job on the front lines on Election Day," Secretary of State Ruth Johnson said. "Our poll workers have a tough job and we want to do everything we can to support them. These are people who

want to be a part of democracy in action and their work allows every Michigan voter to have their vote count and their voice heard on Election Day."

The first phase of the Election Day Management online training can be viewed here on the Secretary of State's website at www.Michigan.gov/sos or on the state's Bureau of Elections YouTube Channel. To access, click here.

Traverse City Clerk Benjamin Marentette has already used the new online training.

"In Traverse City, we are showing the election training videos from the Bureau of Elections during the training sessions we are holding with all of our polling place workers," Marentette said. "The videos drive some key points home and are a great

tool that we are using as part of our training program."

Oakland County Elections Director Joe Rozell said the training videos are the result of strong collaboration between the Secretary of State's office, county clerks and local clerks.

"We're looking forward to incorporating them into our training program," said Rozell, noting that clerks in Oakland County employ some 3,600 poll workers on Election Day. "These arrived just in time to help us train for November."

Johnson said the training is intended to supplement local and county clerks' own training. Clerks can download the individual video files to their computers or present the videos live from the web during their own training. Clerks can also direct poll workers to the site so they can review the videos on their own time as a "refresher" course at home.

Training topics range from enforcement of Michigan's photo ID laws to the processing of provision and challenged ballots, important checks and balances that must be observed on Election Day and the way to seal and secure bal-

lot containers.

The videos will also help ensure that no eligible voter is turned away from the polls on Election Day.

Johnson said in addition to the videos, state elections officials have put in long hours to assist clerks with additional training to help prepare for the presidential election year. Trainers held training sessions in each of Michigan's 83 counties as well as regional sessions across the state on topics ranging from Election Day issues to use of the state's electronic poll books, which are specially-programmed laptops used to check in voters at the polls. Electronic or e-pollbooks are now used in 80 percent of precincts statewide.

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The GHS varsity football team celebrates its 21-0 victory vs. the Boyne City Ramblers on Friday night. The win clinched a Lake Michigan Conference championship for the Vikings and it gave the football squad its first undefeated season in school history.

9-0 VIKINGS CAP UNDEFEATED SEASON, LEAGUE TITLE WITH 21-0 VICTORY AT BOYNE CITY



by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

Nine up, nine down. Grayling High School's varsity football team completed an undefeated season on Friday, beating the Boyne City Ramblers – a squad that was also 8-0 going into the contest – by a final score of 21-0 in a game played at Boyne City High School. The win also clinched a Lake Michigan Conference championship – the football program's first – for Grayling.

The Vikings received the opening kickoff, starting at their 15-yard line. On the second play of the drive, quarterback Jake Swander threw deep to Scout Tobin for a gain of 39 yards. Runs by Kevin Harris and Ty Jensen picked up 15 yards. Three plays later, Grayling went for it on 4th and 4 and came up short.

Boyne drove from its 26-yard line to Grayling's 4-yard line. The Vikings kept the Ramblers out of the end zone on four goal-to-go situations, forcing a turnover on downs.

Grayling took over at its 5-yard line. Swander threw to Tyler McClanahan for 26 yards on first down. On the next play, Swander completed

Lake Michigan Conference

Team, League Record, Overall Record	
Grayling.....	6-0 (9-0)
Boyne City.....	5-1 (8-1)
Kalkaska.....	4-2 (7-2)
Elk Rapids.....	3-3 (4-5)
Harbor Springs.....	2-4 (3-6)
Charlevoix.....	1-5 (1-8)
East Jordan.....	0-6 (0-9)

Last week's scores:
Grayling 21, Boyne City 00
Charlevoix 35, East Jordan 14
Kalkaska 44, Elk Rapids 02
Manistique 12, Harbor Springs 06


a pass to Harris for 49 yards. The Vikings finished the series with a one-yard TD run by Jensen. Grayling missed the extra point kick. GHS led 6-0 with 1:22 left in the first quarter.

Grayling's onside kick went out of bounds, giving Boyne City the ball at the 50. The series ended with a punt on 4th and 7. Grayling punted on 4th and 11 and Boyne City returned it to the 45-yard line of the Vikings. On the seventh play of the drive, Boyne City went for it on 4th and 7 and Harris knocked down the pass attempt.

The Vikings drove 76 yards on 14 plays, scoring on a five-yard touchdown run by
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Elijah Robbins attempts to control an airborne ball during last week's district game against Boyne City.

Soccer team overcomes early deficit, wins playoff game 4-2

Vikings defeat Ramblers with four unanswered goals

by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

The Grayling Vikings didn't get off to a great start – their opponent, the Boyne City Ramblers, scored the first two goals of the match – but the team outscored Boyne City 4-0 after that to win 4-2 in Tuesday night's round one District 48-3 playoff game. GHS hosted the contest.

Approximately halfway through the first period,

Boyne City scored the first goal of the contest to lead 1-0. The Ramblers scored again at the 12:23 mark to lead 2-0.

Grayling got on the board with a goal by Romain Heris at the 10:33 mark. The Vikings scored again a few minutes later; Carson Burmeister put a direct kick into the net. With 2:19 left in the first half, Blake Gregory scored for the Vikings, giving Grayling a

3-2 advantage.

Boyne City did not score in the second half. Grayling scored once, getting a goal from Tyler Powers.

The Vikings won 4-2. "We started out playing really sloppy. We didn't communicate well," Coach Nate Alyas said. "Defensively we were moving up, leaving too much space. (Boyne City) put two goals in."

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Mike Gardiner takes a throw-in for the Vikings during Tuesday's play-off game against the Ramblers.

Bowling Leagues

Recreation League	
Ball Busters	21 - 7
Spikes	18 - 10
American Legion	18 - 10
Robin Smith CPA	18 - 10
Days Inn	14 - 14
Mercy Manor	12 - 16
Grayling Nursing	10 - 18
High Series: K. Wheeler, 540; P. Younglove, 481; S. Johnson, 454. High Game: K. Wheeler, 192 & 182; M. Barclay, 190; P. Younglove, 172.	
Senior League	
Dana Transport	21 - 7
R & W	16.5 - 11.5
Flowers By Josie	16 - 12
Sylvester's Sports	16 - 12
Spike's	16 - 12

Lone Pine	11.5 - 16.5
Bear's Den Pizza	9 - 19
Legion Lanes	5 - 23
High Series Women: D. Hollis, 497; C. Clark, 475; H. Stairs, 432. High Game Women: B. Shippy, 180; D. Hollis, 174; C. Clark, 171. High Series Men: B. Hollis, 523; D. Henning, 502; P. Faustman, 500. High Game Men: B. Hollis, 199; D. Henning, 185; R. Hayes, 178.	

Thursday Morning Coffee	
Thanks "A Latte"	19 - 9
Bowling Buds	16.5 - 11.5
Ladybugs - NOT	15 - 13
Snow Tops	15 - 13
Eddie & Cruisers	10 - 18
Splitpins	8.5 - 19.5
High Series Women: H. Stairs, 419; M. Rysso, 415; C. Clark, 408. High Game Women: B. Decker, 159; M. Rysso, 157; H. Stairs, 149. High Series Men: B. Hollis, 570; P. Faustman, 568; S. Johnson, 515. High Game Men: B. Hollis, 223; S. Johnson, 211; P. Faustman, 196.	
Friday Mixed Doubles	
Don Nester	36 - 13
G & B Rentals	33 - 16
World of Floors	27 - 22
Legion	25 - 24
Dodi's Karaoke	23 - 26

L & L Hauling	21 - 28
AJD	18 - 31
Swamp II	13 - 36
High Series Women: M. Becker, 509; P. Younglove, 508; D. Hollis, 491. High Game Women: M. Becker, 193; T. Benardo, 185; P. Younglove, 184. High Series Men: J. Gerken, 604; G. Mastroeni, 539; D. Wallace, 527. High Game Men: S. Green, 243; J. Gerken, 216; D. Yelinek, 191.	

Pioneer League	
Legion	17.5 - 6.5
T.C. Lawncare	17 - 7
Suburban Bolt	12 - 12
Tim's Collision	10.5 - 13.5
Pink Ladies	7 - 17
High Series: P. Benardo, 558; A. Nygard, 536; J. Coors, 528. High Game: P. Benardo, 216; A. Nygard, 200; J. Coors, 194.	
American Men's League	
Legion Lanes	21 - 14
GLC Farms	20 - 15
Man Cave	18 - 17
N. Country Corner	16 - 19
Joels Team	15 - 20
Redneck's	15 - 20
High Series: D. Handy, 670; R. Boonie, 611; J. Lehman, 607. High Game: D. Handy, 265; T. Kotrash, 228; J. Lehman, 227.	

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Women's Standings	
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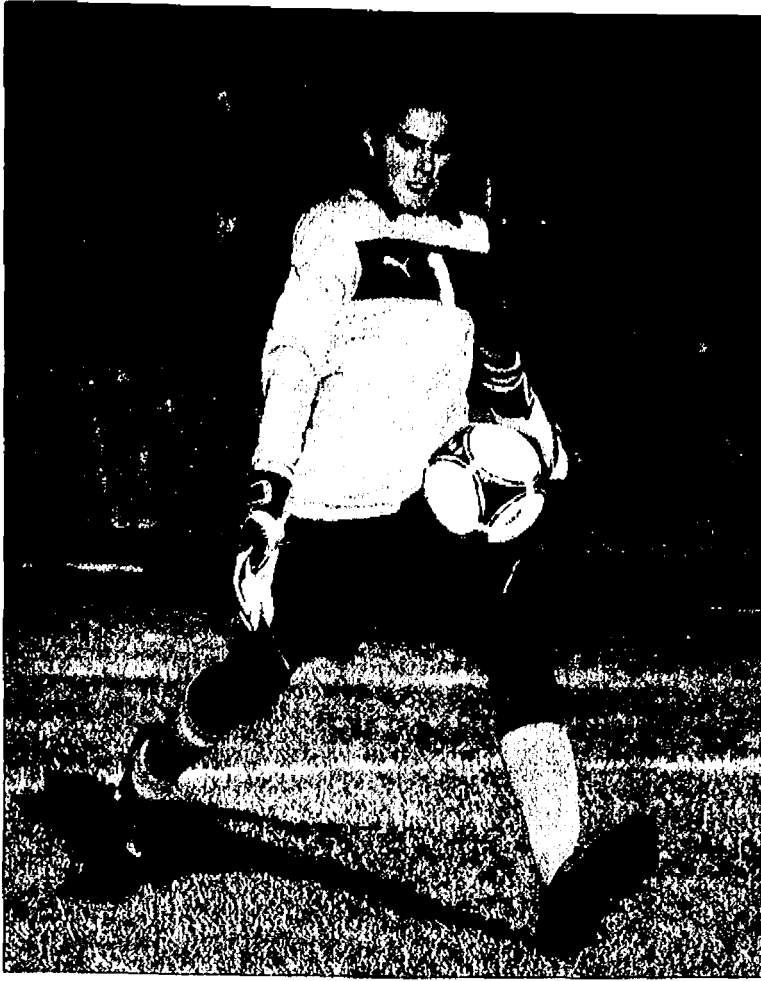
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Goalkeeper Matt Burrell, left, punts the ball during Tuesday's playoff game against the Ramblers. Levi Korneli, right, throws the ball in for Grayling.



Soccer team overcomes early deficit, wins playoff game 4-2

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Coach Alyas said the team "understood the problem" and started to communicate better. After that, the team started its scoring run.

"We put three goals in,

one after the other," Coach Alyas said. "We really played well the second half. It was a physical game, a lot of fouls. Boyne City is a very good team to play, very physical. I think we did real

well."

On Thursday, the Vikings lost 8-0 vs. Elk Rapids in the District 48-3 semifinals. Elk Rapids hosted the contest.

The loss ended Grayling's

2012 season. The Vikings finished the year with an overall record of 14-5-1 (8-2 league).



Carson Burmeister dribbles the ball for Grayling on Tuesday night during a playoff game against Boyne City.



Tyler Powers, left, stops an airborne ball with his chest. Jordan Bulmer, right, kicks the ball for the Vikings.



Jeff LaVigne dribbles the ball for the Vikings during last week's playoff game against the Ramblers.

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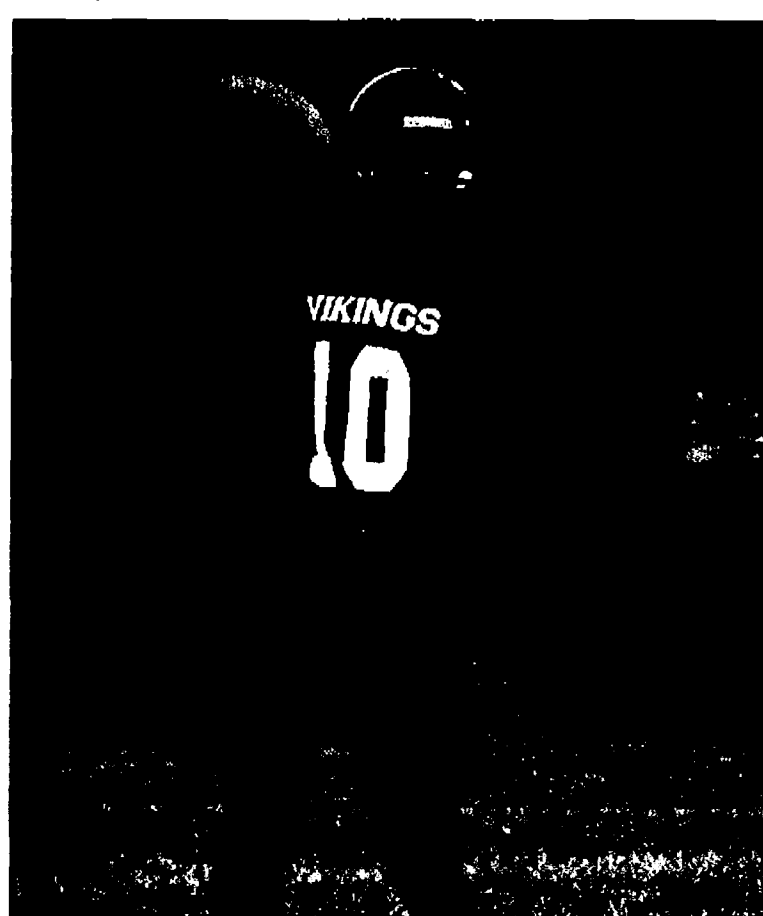
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Grayling's Hometown Newspaper Since 1879



by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

Boyne City punted on 4th and 6 but a Grayling player touched the ball and the Ramblers recovered it, giving Boyne City the ball 16

With 9:05 left in the fourth period, the score was tied at 22-22.

A black and white photograph of five football players. They are wearing helmets and jerseys, and are posed in a group on a grassy field. The player in the center is slightly behind the others, who are arranged in a line. They are all looking towards the camera. The background is dark and indistinct.

Grayling punted on 4th and 5. On 1st and 10, Boyne City fumbled the ball and the Vikings recovered it 23 yards from the goal line.

Grayling went for it on 4th and 12 and an incomplete pass ended the series on downs.

Boyne City took over at its 25-yard line with 5:23 remaining in regulation. The Ramblers, with 21 seconds left on the fourth quarter clock, scored on a one-yard TD run on 1st and goal. They kicked the extra point.

After the kickoff, Grayling started at its 6-yard line with 17 seconds remaining. Kent ran for 19 yards on first down. Boyne City intercepted a Grayling pass attempt on the next play, ending the game.

Boayne won 29-22.
"The team played their guts out and left everything they had on the field," Assistant Coach Ron

Wyman said. According to the team, Kent had 166 rushing yards and two TDs. Petrie had 60 rushing yards. On defense, Petrie had eight tackles, Austin Sheppard had seven tackles, Cheney had seven tackles and one deflection, Wyman had four tackles, Tom Bolick had four tackles, and Zach Joseph had four tackles.

"If you are a football fan, this team was entertaining all year long. We lost two games – including this one – with 18 seconds left on the clock. We won one game on the last play. Six of our nine games came down to one touchdown," Coach Chris Kucharek said. "It has been a great season and we are very proud of the effort from the players."

The Vikings finished their 2012 season with a 5-4 overall record and a 3-3 record in league play.

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your

damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jim Lipe and Anette Lipe F/K/A Annette Baumgardner, Husband and Wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated August 8, 2005, and recorded on August 18, 2005 in Liber 676 on Page 866, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Fifty

and 51/100 Dollars (\$34,650.51). Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on November 21, 2012.

Said premises are situated in Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: A part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, beginning at a point on the South line 300.00 feet East of the Southwest corner thereof and running thence North 01 degrees 13 minutes West, parallel with the West line thereof, 170.1 feet to the Southerly line of County Road

#612 thence North 80 degrees 45 minutes East, along said road line 165.00 feet, thence South 01 degrees 03 minutes East, 197.1 feet to the said South line at a point 200.00 feet West of the East line of the West 1/2 of the said Northwest 1/4 of Southwest 1/4 thence North 89 degrees 52 minutes West, on said South line, 163.3 feet to the point of beginning. Commencing at the Southwest corner of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, thence running North 01 degrees 08 minutes West (through the middle of the County road), a distance of 1,082.9 feet to the point of beginning, thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes East, a distance of 300.00 feet, thence North 01 degrees 08 minutes West, a distance of 15.00 feet, thence North 89 degrees 35 minutes West, a distance of 300.00

feet, thence South 01 degrees 08 minutes East, a distance of 15.00 feet to the point of beginning. Commencing at the Northeast corner of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, thence running North 89 degrees 35 minutes West, a distance of 200.00 feet to the point of beginning, thence South 01 degrees 08 minutes East, a distance of 435.00 feet, thence North 89 degrees 35 minutes West, a distance of 160.00 feet, thence North 01 degrees 08 minutes West, a distance of 435.00 feet, thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes East, a distance of 160.00 feet to the point of beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days

from the date of such sale.
If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.
Dated: October 18, 2012
For more information, please call:
FC X (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #411642F01
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FORECLOSURE NOTICE

RANDALL S. MILLER & ASSOCIATES, P.C. MAY BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE A MILITARY SERVICEMEMBER ON ACTIVE DUTY NOW OR IN THE PRIOR NINE MONTHS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE. Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Michael J. Henson, unmarried and Frela J. Hardacre, dated May 15, 2002, and recorded on June 17, 2002, in Liber 584, Page 543, Crawford County Records, said mortgage was assigned to The Bank of New York Mellon, as Indenture Trustee for the registered holders of ABFS Mortgage Loan Trust 2002-2, Mortgage-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2002-2 by an Assignment of Mortgage dated January 15, 2009 and recorded January 26, 2009 in Liber 694, Page 439, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred and 24/100 (\$83,074.24) including interest at the rate of 7.26000% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Crawford County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on November 14, 2012. Said premises are situated in the Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: And known as being a part of Section 7, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as: Commencing at the North quarter corner of said Section 7; thence South 1 degree 11 minutes 30 seconds East along the North-South quarter line, 1308.8 feet for a point of beginning; thence North 89 degree 47 minutes 00 seconds East, 653.6 feet; thence South 1 degree 25 minutes 00 seconds East, 654.1 feet; thence North 89 degree 40 minutes 15 seconds West, 668.2 feet; thence North 1 degree 11 minutes 30 seconds West, 655.4 feet; thence North 89 degree 47 minutes 00 seconds East, 12.0 feet to the point of beginning. Be the same more or less, but subject to all legal highways. Commonly known as: 5412 Ken Pen Road If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL

600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foregoing mortgage can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: October 11, 2012 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for The Bank of New York Mellon, as Indenture Trustee for the registered holders of ABFS Mortgage Loan Trust 2002-2, Mortgage-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2002-2 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, 248-335-9200 Case No. 12OM100986-1 (10-11)(11-01)

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MORTGAGE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Michael A. Rexford and Julie A. Rexford, husband and wife, mortgagors, to Signature Mortgage, LLC, as assigned to Signature Bank, mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated February 2, 2007, and was recorded on February 5, 2007, in Liber 685 on page 180 of the Crawford County records, and subject to an Assignment of Mortgage recorded at Liber 710, Page 53. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$60,140.33, including interest at 6.25% per year. The Mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on November 21, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. local time at the main entrance to the Crawford County Court Facility, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, Michigan, that being the place of holding Circuit Court for Crawford County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in the Township of Frederic,

County of Crawford, Michigan and is described as:

Lot 120, Uppnorthe Unit No. 2, Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 61 through 65, Crawford County Records.

commonly known as 6487 Maple Forest Dr., Frederic, MI 49733 tax i.d. 032-102-000-120-00

If the property described in this notice is sold at a foreclosure sale, then under MCL 600.3278, the Mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the buyer of the property at the foreclosure sale, or to the Mortgage holder, for damage done to the property during the redemption period.

The redemption period will expire six (6) months after the date of the foreclosure sale, unless the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will expire 30 days after the date of the foreclosure sale, or when the time to provide notice under MCL 600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is later.

SMITH, MARTIN, POWERS & KNIER, P.C.

Dated: October 11, 2012
By: Henry L. Knier, Jr. (P46393)
Attorney for Signature Bank,
Mortgagee
900 Washington Ave.,
P.O. Box 219
Bay City, MI 48707
(989) 892-4574

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE

In the event this property is claimed as a principal residence exempt from tax under section 7ec of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 7ec please contact our office at (248) 844-5123. This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Michael Frushour a/k/a Michael M. Frushour, A single Man and Susan D. Poll-Wood, an adult woman as joint tenants with full rights of survivorship to Northwestern Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated June 17, 2005 and recorded June 22, 2005 in Liber 676 Page 5 Crawford County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Seventeen Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$128,617.80) including interest 5.875% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on November 28, 2012 Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 28 and 29,

River Forest Subdivision, Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 72, Crawford County Records. Commonly known as 1836 Dewitt Trl, Roscommon MI 48653 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: 10/25/2012 Northwestern Mortgage Company Mortgage Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 12-69873 (10-25)(11-15)

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NOTICE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by HAROLD MILLS AND KATHERINE L. MILLS, husband and wife, Mortgagors, to FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF AMERICA, Mortgagee, dated October 5, 2006, and recorded November 2, 2006, in Liber 684, Page 10, of Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice \$49,453.33, including interest at 11.0% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction to the highest bidder, on Wednesday, November 14, 2012, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, Michigan. Said premises are situated in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: West 165 feet of the East 330 feet of the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 2, T27N, R4W; e/k/a 7086 Batterson, Frederic, MI 49733 The redemption period shall be six months from the date of the sale, unless the premises are determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days. Please be advised that if the mortgaged property is sold at a foreclosure sale by advertisement, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 you will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale, or to the mortgage holder, for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: October 11, 2012 LeVasseur Dyer & Associates, PC Attorneys for Mortgagee Assignee P.O. Box 721400 Berkeley, MI

48072 (248) 586-1200 (10-11)(11-01)

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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Harvey James LaDouceur, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to IndyMac Bank, F.S.B., Mortgagee, dated March 29, 2007, and recorded on April 3, 2007 in Liber 685 on Page 971, and assigned by said Mortgagee to OneWest Bank, FSB as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Nine Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Six and 87/100 Dollars (\$109,156.87).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on November 14, 2012.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The West 491 feet of Out Lot "A", Red Dog Subdivision, Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 02 of Plats, Page, Pages 05 and 06, Crawford County Records. (Also known as Parcel A-1 as shown on Certificate of Survey recorded in Liber 142, Page 04, Crawford County Records).

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: October 11, 2012 For more information, please call: FCH (248) 593-1300
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #413453F01
(10-11)(11-01)

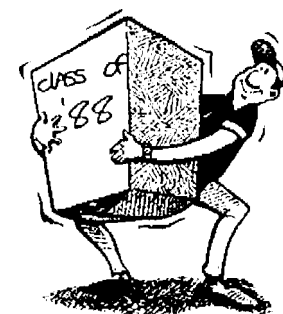
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NOTICE

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHERMAN, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by LACHELLE D. BECKWITH, UNMARRIED, to JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CHASE HOME FINANCE, LLC. FKA CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Mortgagee, dated January 30, 2003, and recorded on February 3, 2003, in Liber 618, on Page 413, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Six Dollars and Three Cents (\$72,526.03), including interest at 6.750% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on November 28, 2012 Said premises are located in Crawford County, Michigan and are described as: LOTS 130 AND 131, TWIN PEAKS NO. 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 3 OF PLATS, PAGE 35, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 600 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CHASE HOME FINANCE, LLC. FKA CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 JPMC.000965 FNMA (10-25)(11-15)

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KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD VACANCY

The Board of Trustees of Kirtland Community College is seeking applications for the position of Trustee in order to fill a vacancy created by a resignation. Applicants for this board vacancy must be qualified electors resident within the Kirtland Community College District. Interested parties are encouraged to submit an application letter with a summary statement describing the applicant's experience, education, community service record and any public or private board experience by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 13, 2012, to:

Board Chair Mary Ann Ferrigan
c/o Office of the President
Kirtland Community College
10775 N St. Helen Rd
Roscommon, MI 48653

Letters will be reviewed at a special open session of the board to be scheduled immediately prior to the regular December 13, 2012 meeting. Applicants are requested to be available for interview by the board during the regularly scheduled public meeting beginning 7:00 p.m. Selection for this trusteeship requires a majority vote of the current trustees of the college. The term of this appointment will be from election by the board through December 31, 2014.

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General Election Notice For Crawford County Residents

Notice of General Election To The Electors Of Crawford County, Michigan
To Be Held Tuesday, November 6, 2012 For The Purpose Of Electing the following Candidates And Voting On State, County, School and Township Proposals:
President and Vice President of the United States
US Senator
1st District Congressman
103rd State Representative
Board of Education
County Wide Offices
County Road Commissioner
County Commissioner
Township Wide Offices
Justice of the Supreme Court
Judge of Court of Appeals 4th District
Judge of Probate Court
Local School Board
6 State Proposals
County Wide Road Repair Millage Renewal
Lovells Proposal for Fire Equipment Renewal
Crawford AuSable School District Bond Renewal Proposal

The Polls Of Said Election Will Be Open At 7:00 A.M. And Will Remain Open Until 8:00 P.M. On Tuesday, November 6, 2012.

Precincts:

- 1 Beaver Creek Twp. Office, 8992 S. Oak Rd., Roscommon
- 1 Frederic Twp. 6470 Manistee St.(Community Center), Frederic
- 302, 304, 305 & 306 Grayling Charter Twp., 2090 Viking Way, Grayling
- 1 Lovells Twp. Office, 8405 Twin Bridge Rd., Frederic
- 1 Maple Forest Twp. Office, 8802 N. Peterson Rd., Grayling
- 1 South Branch Twp. Office, 5245 M-18, Roscommon
- 1 Grayling City Office, 1020 City Blvd, Grayling

SANDRA MOORE, COUNTY CLERK

PUBLIC ACCURACY NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Accuracy Test for the November 6, 2012 General Election has been scheduled for Wednesday, October 31, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at each of the following voting precincts located in Crawford County, Grayling, MI:

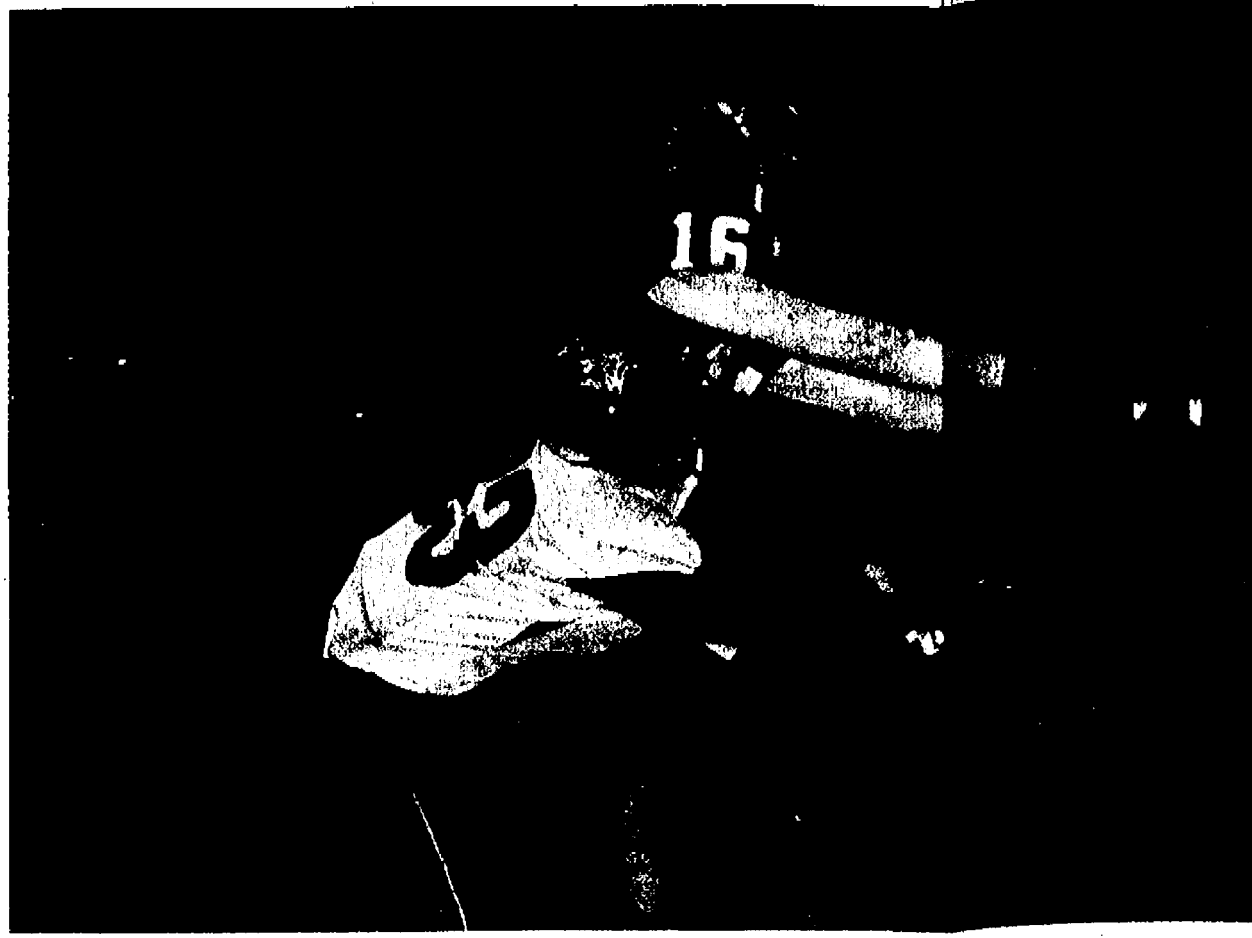
Township	School Precinct #	Clerk
Grayling City Hall	1	Michele Miller
1020 City Blvd.		348-2131
P.O. Box 549		
Grayling, MI 49738		
Beaver Creek Township	1	Sharon Hartman
8888 S. Grayling Rd.		275-8878
Grayling, MI 49738		
Frederic Township	1	Nancy Bindschatel
6470 Manistee St.		348-8778
Frederic, MI 49733		
Grayling Township	302, 304, 305, 306	Monica Ashton
2090 Viking Way		348-4361
P.O. Box 521		
Grayling, MI 49738		
Lovells Township	1	Cynthia Infante'
8405 Twin Bridge Rd.		348-9215
Grayling, MI 49738		
Maple Forest Township	1	Sandra Baynham
2520 W. Marker Rd.		348-5794
Frederic, MI 49733		
South Branch Township	1	Lynn George
5245 M-18		275-8232
Roscommon, MI 48653		

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the program(s) and the election ballot counters being used to tabulate the results of the election, counts the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

Sandra Moore
Crawford County Clerk

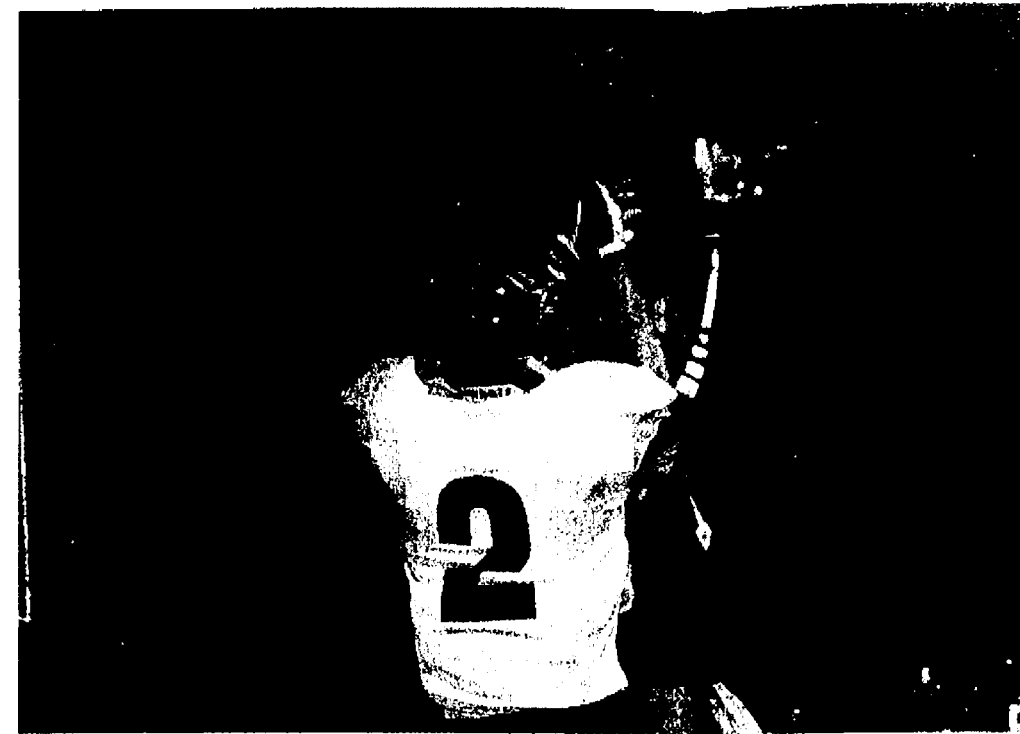


Coach Tim Sanchez talks to his players after Friday night's 21-0 win at Boyne City High School.



Scout Tobin battles a Boyne City defender for the ball on a pass play during Friday night's league showdown.

9-0



A Boyne City defensive back tipped the ball into the air during this two-point conversion attempt for GHS, but Scott Parkinson adjusted and caught the ball on its way down. The play happened during the second quarter of Friday's contest.

Vikings cap undefeated season, league title with 21-0 victory at Boyne City

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Jensen. The series also included a first down run by Jensen on 3rd and 20 and a 24-yard reception by Tobin on 4th and 21. Swander threw to Parkinson in the end zone for the two-point conversion. Grayling led 14-0 with 4:20 left in the second period.

Neither team scored during the final minutes of the first half. The Vikings led 14-0.

On the first possession of the third quarter, the Ramblers fumbled the ball on 4th and 10 and Grayling recovered it. The resulting series for the Vikings ended with an incomplete pass on 4th and 8.

Boyne City tried to punt on 4th and 15 but the Ramblers fumbled the snap, giving Grayling the ball nine yards from the goal line. On 2nd and goal, Swander threw to Jensen for a nine-yard TD. Harris kicked the extra point. With 6:34 left in the third quarter, the Vikings led 21-0.

The Ramblers tried a fake punt on 4th and 5 and came up short. Grayling turned the ball over on downs with an incomplete pass on 4th and 8. Boyne City punted on 4th and 8. Grayling turned it over on downs with a 13-yard completion on 4th and 14. Boyne City, losing yardage on a sack, a fumble, and two penalties, punted on 4th and 40.

Grayling punted on 4th and 15.

On 3rd and 12 – the ninth play of the drive – Parkinson intercepted a Boyne City pass attempt.

Grayling killed the final 2:47 and won 21-0.

According to the team, Swander finished with 218 passing yards and one TD; Jensen had 117 rushing yards with two TDs and 17 receiving yards with one touchdown catch; McClanahan caught four passes for 60 yards; Tobin had 65 receiving yards on two catches; Harris had 64 receiving yards on two receptions; Michael Branch had 35 rushing yards. On defense, Brandon Handrich had nine tackles and three

sacks; Nick Swiercz had eight tackles and two sacks; Wes Dean had eight tackles, including three for losses.

"We are so proud and happy for our guys. They made history tonight, and the looks on their faces after the game was incredible. Our defense played inspired football. They were unbelievably disciplined and aggressive," Coach Tim Sanchez said. "Our offense made some big plays and capitalized in the red zone."

Sanchez said the program, according to available records, did not have an undefeated varsity football season in the school's history prior to this year. The Vikings finished the 2012 regular sea-

son with a 9-0 overall record and a 6-0 conference mark, defeating three playoff teams during the year. Three schools from the Lake Michigan Conference – Grayling (9-0), Boyne City (8-1), and Kalkaska (7-2) – earned playoff berths this year.

In the playoffs, Grayling will face the Kingsford Flivvers at Kingsford on Saturday, Oct. 27, at 1 p.m. (our time) in the pre-district round. The winner will either host Kingsley or play at Menominee next week for the district title. Grayling is in Division 5, Region 1, District 1 of the Michigan High School Athletic Association football playoffs.



The Grayling High School cheerleading squad celebrates after the football team clinched its league title and 9-0 season on Friday night at Boyne City.



What was the pre-season buzz on this year's varsity football squad? Some notes on the team (taken from an article in the Crawford County Avalanche) before the season began: It's a young group. "More sophomores and juniors starting on varsity than seniors," Coach Tim Sanchez said at the time. A lot of positions battles. Good depth and talent at the skill positions. The squad, due to players lost to graduation, had to replace its offensive and defensive lines with new starters. A new quarterback. Goals? "Every year our goal is to win every game. We want to win the league. We want to host playoff games," Coach Sanchez said.

The pursuit of an undefeated season

The Vikings made history this year, winning their first Lake Michigan Conference title and posting what is believed to be the first undefeated season in the team's history. A recap of the 2012 regular season:



Week #1: Roscommon – The Vikings opened their 2012 season with a 28-20 victory vs. the Roscommon Bucks, a nonconference rival, in a contest played at Roscommon. The Bucks led 6-0 early. Grayling had a 14-6 advantage at halftime. Grayling scored the first TD of the second half to lead 21-6. The Bucks scored to pull within nine, 21-12. The Vikings scored. Roscommon pulled within eight with a TD at the fourth quarter's 3:45 mark. Grayling recovered an onside kick and killed the rest of the clock.

Quarterback Jake Swander had 277 passing yards and three TDs. Ty Jensen rushed for 111 yards and one TD. Tyler McClanahan caught 11 passes for 144 yards and one TD.

The Bucks finished the year at 6-3 overall, qualifying for the playoffs.



Week #2: Houghton Lake – Grayling hosted the Houghton Lake Bobcats in week two, defeating HL 47-6. The Vikings led 23-0 at halftime and this game was never close. Swander had 301 passing yards and four total TDs (three passing, one rushing). Tobin had 99 rushing yards and 87 receiving yards with two total TDs.

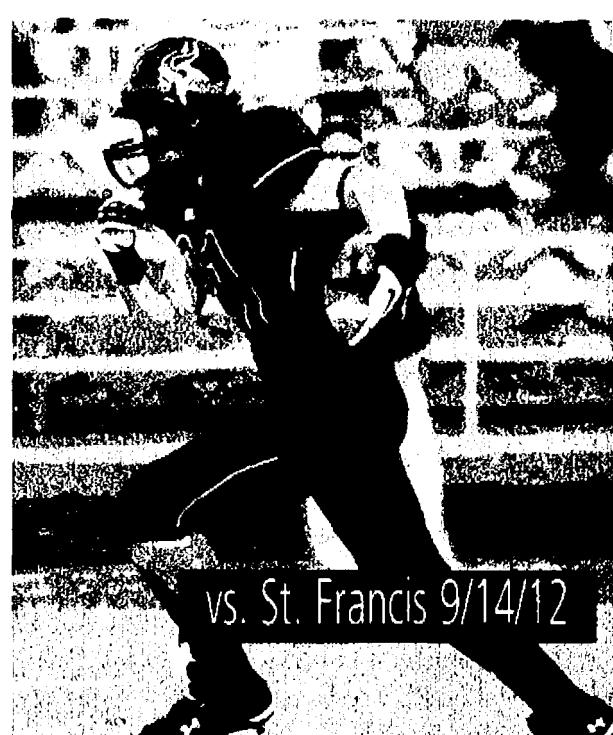
Houghton Lake posted an overall record of 1-8 this year.



Week #3: Charlevoix – This game was played at Charlevoix. First Lake Michigan Conference game for both squads. Grayling started poorly – the Rayders had a 13-0 lead early – but the Vikings battled back, scoring 27 unanswered points the rest of the way to win by 14, 27-13. The team used a run-heavy approach during its comeback. Jensen finished with 125 rushing yards and three TDs. Kevin Harris ran for 45 yards. Tobin had 22 rushing yards and one TD.

"We were able to pound the ball with our running backs. The fact that we were able to win this game by basically using a completely different offensive game plan says a lot about our players' toughness and will to win," Coach Sanchez said.

Charlevoix ended the year at 1-8.



Week #4: Traverse City St. Francis – The Vikings won 28-20, defeating the Gladiators of Traverse City St. Francis for the first time in school history. Grayling led 14-0. A kickoff return set up a short TD run for TCSF. St. Francis returned an interception for a TD, tying the game at 14-14. A fumble recovery set up a 27-yard TD run for Grayling. The Vikings posted a goal line stand to keep the lead. Grayling scored on a 61-yard TD run. Grayling, up by eight, intercepted a St. Francis pass attempt in the end zone in the final seconds to seal the win.

"This was a great win for our team, program, and Viking Nation. We have spent nine years trying to beat St. Francis, and to get the victory is very satisfying," Coach Sanchez said.

The Gladiators finished the year at 4-5.



Week #5: Harbor Springs – Grayling had to complete a second half comeback in this one. The Vikings led 14-7 at halftime. The visiting Rams scored on a 43-yard run. Harbor Springs scored on a 75-yard run to take a 21-14 lead. Grayling tied it with a 71-yard scoring drive. The Vikings scored again on a 30-yard TD pass. Grayling scored on a short rushing TD. The Vikings won by 14, 35-21.

Several players had big numbers on offense. Swander had 380 rushing yards and four total TDs (three passing, one rushing). Jensen caught eight passes for 118 yards and two TDs; he also rushed for 56 yards and one TD. McClanahan had eight receptions for 131 yards and one TD. Tobin caught seven passes for 116 yards.

The Rams finished at 3-6 this year.

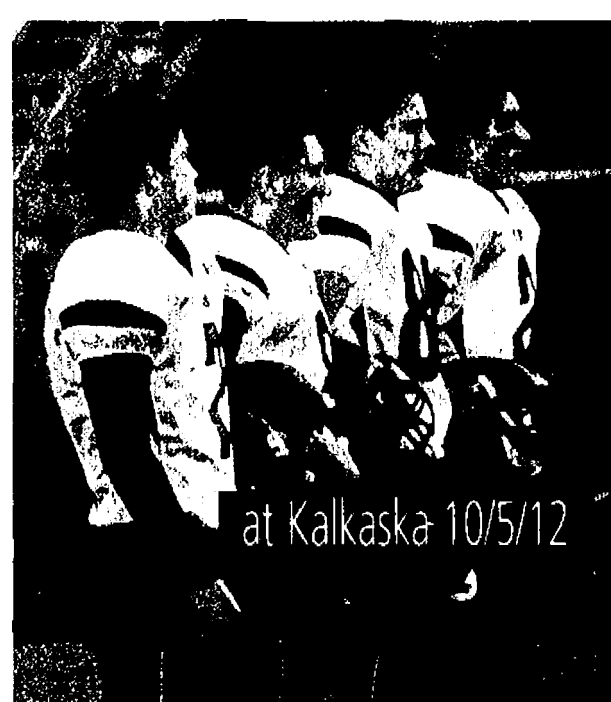


Week #6: Elk Rapids – The team clinched a playoff berth with a 41-22 victory at Elk Rapids. Grayling led 35-14 at halftime before a low-scoring second half.

"This was a big win for our guys. Elk Rapids is a great team that matched up very well against us. To have our offense clicking so well in the first half was a big bonus," Coach Sanchez said.

Swander had 395 passing yards and three TDs. Jensen had three rushing TDs. Parkinson caught 13 passes for 157 yards and two TDs. McClanahan had four receptions for 93 yards and one TD.

Elk Rapids posted a 4-5 overall record this year.

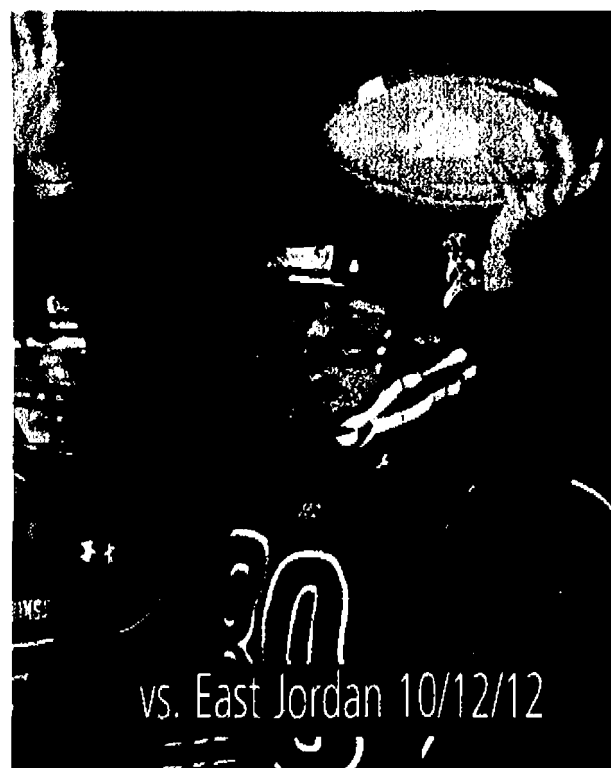


Week #7: Kalkaska – The Blazers, playing on their home field, were 5-1 overall going into this game. Grayling led 12-0 at halftime and eventually won 33-6.

"Our guys came ready to play," Coach Sanchez said.

Swander had 235 passing yards and two TDs. Jensen rushed for 124 yards and one TD. Tobin had 78 rushing yards and one TD, plus three catches for 83 yards and a TD. Harris and McClanahan also scored TDs for GHS.

Kalkaska qualified for the playoffs this year with a 7-2 overall record.

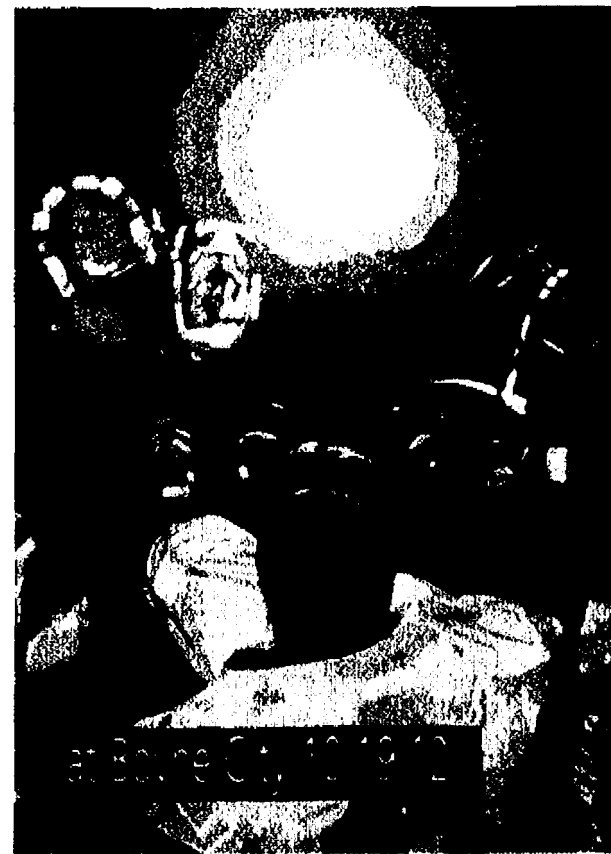


Week #8: East Jordan – The homecoming game. Grayling won this one big, 63-29, and was able to get its second and third string players some game time.

"It was great to see some of the guys who have busted their tails all year long to make this team better get some productive reps," Coach Sanchez said.

Swander had 364 passing yards and six TDs. Jensen ran for 106 yards and one TD, adding 48 receiving yards and two receiving TDs. McClanahan caught six passes for 122 yards and one TD. Parkinson had eight receptions, three for touchdowns, for 94 yards. Jakob Hoover threw for one TD and rushed for one TD.

East Jordan had another tough season, following last year's 1-8 record with a 0-9 mark this year.



Week #9: Boyne City – A road game against a fellow 8-0 team, with the Lake Michigan Conference title at stake. Grayling won 21-0, clinching its first Lake Michigan Conference championship and capping the program's first undefeated season in school history.

Jensen had 117 rushing yards with three total TDs (two rushing, one receiving).

Boyne City finished at 8-1 and qualified for the playoffs.

Features

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A Look At Our Past FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



October 26, 1989 - Damon Thayer, son of Sue and Dan Thayer of Grayling and a 1985 graduate of Grayling High School, interviews Bill "The Shoe" Shoemaker at Thistledown Racetrack near Cleveland, Ohio. Shoemaker, 58, and the world's winningest jockey will retire in February and stopped at Thistledown on his worldwide Farewell Tour. Thayer, who is the track's Chief Publicist, interviewed Shoemaker three times.

23 Years Ago

October 26, 1989

The Crawford AuSable School District is fighting the proverbial "battle of the bulging classrooms," and the Board of Education has appointed a committee to look into the feasibility of constructing a new elementary school. The official Fourth Friday student count,

taken on Sept. 29, put the district's enrollment at 1919, an increase of 42 students over the 1988-1989 school year.

The Grayling Vikings football team gave up four touchdowns in the first half to a powerful St. Ignace team last Friday, Oct. 20, but rallied in a losing effort to play one of their best

third quarter of the season. St. Ignace went on to win 40 - 20.

Don Baker ran 65 yards for the Grayling JV football team's first touchdown and the Vikings defense shut out St. Ignace in a 12 - 0 win last Thursday in the Upper Peninsula.

Great Lakes Gas Transmission Company will soon begin construction of a pipeline loop to its existing natural gas pipeline in northwestern Crawford County in Frederic Township. This 2.5 mile loop line, beginning at the Deward Meter station and heading south, is part of a 177 mile expansion project that will increase the pipeline's capacity by 157.5 million cubic feet per day.

GMS 7th grade girls basketball team is coached by Harold Mertes and consists of Kim Haske, Misty Burden, Lynne Rochette, Sarah Furst, Lynette Mead, Nicole Sloan, Jessica Hall, Danyell Galvani, Samara Sabin, Tammy Hinds, Nicole Parker, Aimee Voight, Katie Smock, Dawn Nolph and Jamie Overton.

46 Years Ago

October 27, 1966

"A Pumpkin on every porch" is the aim of the Grayling Jaycees, who will be selling a truckload of pumpkins from door to door

on Wednesday, Oct. 26. The proceeds of the sale will be used to give the children of the Grayling area a free movie at the Rialto Theatre on Halloween night. Each child will also receive one free box of popcorn.

Mr. and Mrs. UHarley Russell have moved to Lansing and have rented their Grayling home to the Don Ferguson family. A 5 lb. bag of seedless or Ruby Red grapefruit is 59¢, Indian Summer sweet cider is 69¢ a gallon jug, a 2 lb. package of sliced bacon is \$1.35 and a 20 lb. bag of Michigan potatoes are 89¢ this week at A & P.

69 Years Ago

October 28, 1943

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crooks have moved from Flint to the Henry Verlinde farm in Maple Forest. Mrs. Crooks is a sister of Mrs. John Wilcox.

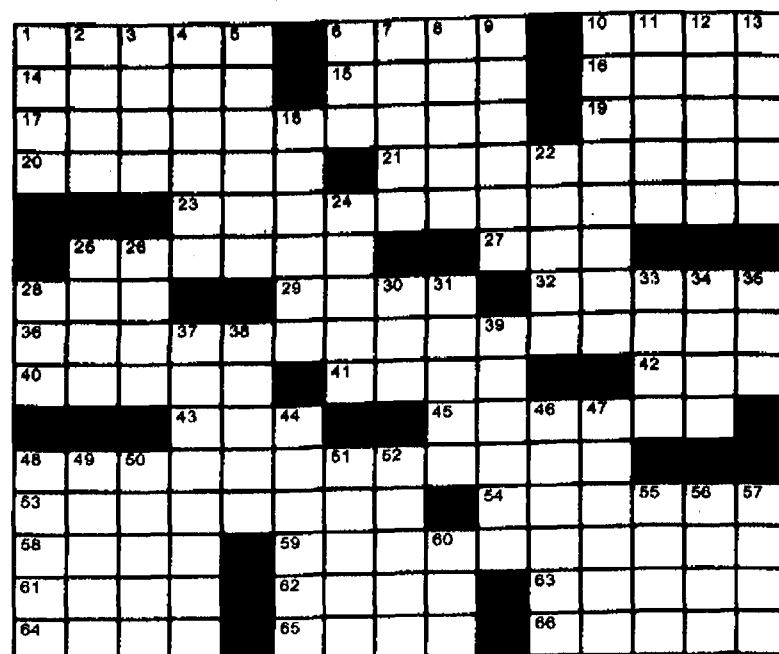
92 Years Ago

October 28, 1920

Lorane Sparks is the new bookkeeper at the Bank of Grayling.

Marshal Brenner says that some boys have been committing pranks at the fire engine house by tying up the bell so the "curfew can't ring tonight." But insists it shall ring every night and warns the boys that it is a serious offense.

CROSSWORD



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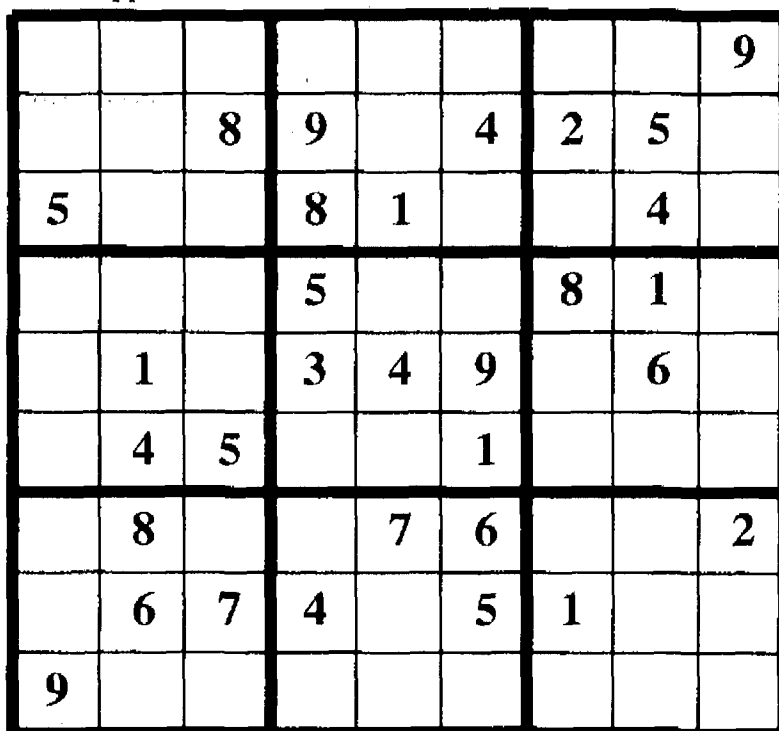
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6. Eastern ties
10. Arise
14. Howler
15. Santa ____, Calif.
16. 100 cents
17. Katarina Witt, Olympic skater, e.g.
19. Bone-dry
20. Allot
21. Sometimes done with a check
23. Antiques and ____
25. An ancient Greece headband
27. "Tarzan" extra
28. Hawaiian dish
29. "Let it stand"
32. Out of fashion
36. Indisposed (3 wds)
40. Itsy-bitsy
41. Brio
42. Anger
43. "Silent Spring" subject (abbrev.)
45. Free (from)
48. Underground
53. Monasteries
54. They're boring
58. Acclivity
59. Aircraft course (2 wds)
61. Knowing, as a secret
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63. Military slang for exploration of an area
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65. "Empedocles on ____" (Matthew Arnold poem)
66. Crosses with loops

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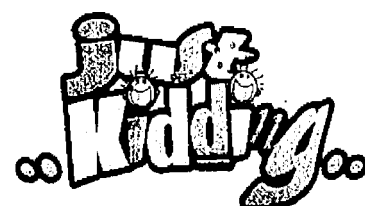
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2. Nestling falcons
3. 1987 Costner role
4. Attract
5. Wheeled vehicle drawn by a tractor (British)
6. "Catch-22" pilot
7. Melon-shaped ice cream dessert
8. Bartender on TV's Pacific Princess
9. Safe places
10. One who does not pay his debts
11. Acoustic
12. Correspond
13. Bumps
18. Beat the draft?
22. Certain sorority woman
24. Carpenter's machine
25. Strengthen, with "up"
26. Assistant
28. Place
30. Moray, e.g.
31. Tom Sawyer author
33. Climb
34. Arid
35. "____ he drove out of sight"
37. From first to last (3 wds, hyphenated)
38. Actress Winona
39. Catch, as in a net
44. Knickknack
46. "Om," e.g.
47. Closed
48. Nautical pole
49. Kidney waste product
50. Range rover
51. Found a new tenant for
52. ____ flu
55. 15-ball cluster
56. Carve in stone
57. The Beatles' "____ Leaving Home" (contraction)
60. Badge-earning girls' org.

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(PUZZLE 7, Medium, Difficulty Rating 0.45)

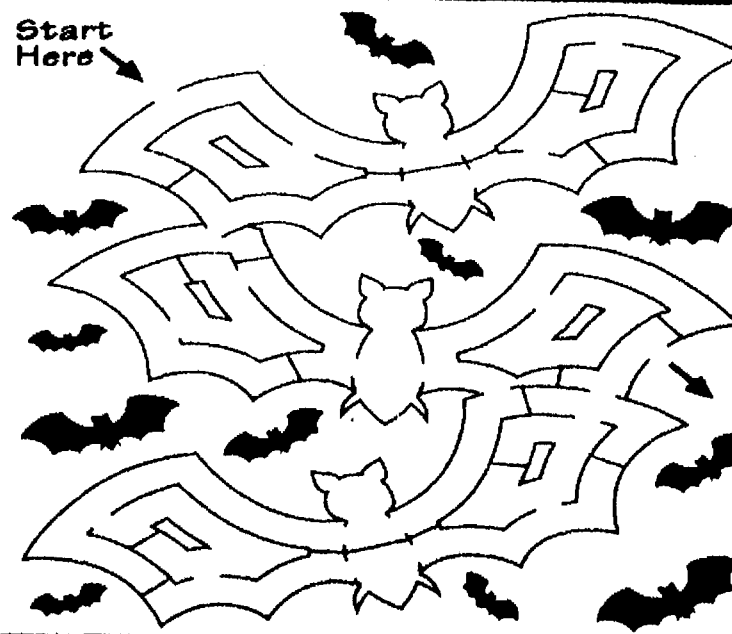


FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



MAZE



HOROSCOPES

Week of October 21, 2012



December 22-January 19

Analyze a new idea and see if it will really work—you could be in for a pleasant surprise! A fun activity lets you express your feelings to others, and you gain their approval.



March 21-April 19

Spending time alone gives you a sense of direction, while spending time with family and friends gives you a sense of purpose. A special date deserves to be remembered.



June 22-July 22

Others are watching to see if you can practice what you preach. Be aware of this and respond accordingly. You could receive a special award or recognition for a job well done.



September 23-October 22

New information lets you see circumstances as they really are, and you now understand why certain things were said and done. Splurge a little



January 20-February 18

This is a time for family and friends, love and laughter. Let others know you appreciate them and what they do. Amidst this, keep an eye on finances and investments.



April 20-May 20

Opportunity knocks, and you are ready to throw the door wide open! A small purchase brightens your surroundings and lifts your spirits. Health and diet issues need special attention.



July 23-August 22

A major purchase or investment requires you to get all the information available and study it carefully. Be diplomatic in dealing with older friends or family members.



October 23-November 21

Your long-range plans may seem stuck in a holding pattern but that will soon change, so stick with them and don't be swayed by quick fixes. Schedule some quiet time for yourself.



February 19-March 20

Your actions come under scrutiny but don't worry—someone in authority has been watching and is favorably impressed. A bonus or promotion lifts your spirits.



May 21-June 21

Make time for a favorite hobby or activity. It's time to balance your life and your priorities, and concentrate on what's really important. Don't be afraid to try something new!



August 23-September 22

You get a helping hand and some much-needed encouragement from an unlikely source. Remember to say "thank you." A social invitation or outing with friends is planned.



November 22-December 21

Keep a sticky situation from developing by seeking out advice and answers from an old friend or family member. Watch and listen before making a major move. Remember a special someone.

Open: Everyday - 10am to 3pm

ADOPT A PET

WE'RE OVERLOADED! The animal shelter is currently very full of animals in need of loving homes, just like yours. Help these very adoptable pets find homes, adopt today! Visit our website for more information.



LOLLY

Lolly is a wonderful 1 year old Lab/Pit mix. She has a great attitude and is very affectionate. Lolly does really well with other dogs and is eager to please. She has been vaccinated, spayed and micro-chipped. All she needs now is a loving new home.

Visit us at: www.ausablevalleyanimalshelter.org

AuSable Valley Animal Shelter
5786 Fairground Lane, Grayling

Use the entrance to the Crawford County Fairgrounds

After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

For more pets or more information, visit our website www.assc.petfinder.com

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast						
Date	H	L	Rain inches	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
10/14	65	42	1.23							
10/15	56	29	0							
10/16	71	46	0.07							
10/17	56	40	0.23							
10/18	51	40	0.20							
10/19	56	36	0.03							
10/20	60	33	0							
				High 73 Low 29 Partly Cloudy	High 51 Low 40 Partly Cloudy	High 49 Low 36 Partly Cloudy	High 56 Low 37 Partly Cloudy	High 58 Low 37 Cloudy	High 58 Low 36 Rain/Show Showers	

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

FRANKENMALLOWS

Ingredients:

6 oz. Semi-Sweet Chocolate
25 Marshmallows, divided

Suggested decorations:
Flake Coconut, food colorings, colored sugar, pretzel sticks, ring-shaped toasted whole grain oat cereal, decorating icing, chow mein noodles, nuts, small candies

Directions:

MELT chocolate as directed on package. Dip 20 marshmallows, 1 at a time, in chocolate, turning to evenly coat each marshmallow. Gently shake off excess chocolate. Place marshmallows, in single layer, on sheets of waxed paper. Reserve remaining melted chocolate for decorating. (NOTE: If decorating coated marshmallows with coconut hair, place 1/2 cup coconut in small resealable plastic bag. Add 2 drops each green and yellow food coloring, seal bag. Shake to evenly tint coconut. Arrange on tops of coated marshmallows. If desired, pinch coconut into a mesh strainer before placing on marshmallows.)

LET marshmallows stand at room temperature 2 hours or until chocolate is firm.

CUT each of the remaining marshmallows crosswise into 4 pieces with clean kitchen shears. Cut v-shaped notch out of each piece for the shoes. Dip cut-sides in colored sugar. Attach 1 notched marshmallow to bottom of each chocolate-covered marshmallow with a dab of the remaining melted chocolate.

DECORATE coated marshmallows with remaining decorations as desired. For bolts: Cut pretzels into 1/4-inch lengths. Insert 1 pretzel piece into each cereal ring, insert 2 pretzels into opposite side of each marshmallow, securing each with a dab of melted chocolate. For eyes, nose, scars and other hair styles: Decorate marshmallows with remaining ingredients as desired.

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GRAYLING, 11706 CRAPO LAKE Rd. Spacious 3br/2 ba, single family 2,061 sq. feet, fixer-upper. Owner financing or cash discount. \$750 down, \$432/month. 803-978-1542. (-25-1-8-15/1)

139' BLACK RIVER Alcona County. 3 bed, 1 1/2 bath, 2.5 attached garage, fireplace. Lake Huron, boat ramp \$89,000. 348-7355. (-18-25-1-8/1)

HOUSE FOR SALE 2-3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, 2.5 acres, \$44,900. 586-713-7500, 586-978-7170, www.forsalebyowner.com, #20887577 (8/30/12/t/f/1)

5 BEDROOM, 1 1/2 BATH home in need of repair on 7 acres of prime hunting property with large garage. East off I-75 on M-18, 2 miles from village of Roscommon. \$40,000 OBO. 231-564-2370. (-8/2/12/t/f/1)

FREDERIC 3 BEDROOM HOME \$25,000, \$5,000 down, \$450 per month. North Wood Land Co. Frederic, new 4 bedroom house with garage and pole barn \$129,900. Cash or new mortgage. North Wood Land Co. 989-350-1996, 989-344-6093. (-4-11-18-25/1)

2. For Rent

4 BEDROOM, 1 BATH totally remodeled, walkout basement on the river \$750 month, \$750 security deposit. 3 bed, 1 bath, 28x32 detached garage, large yard \$700 month, \$700 security deposit. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, full basement, front and back porches \$650 month, \$650 sec. deposit. 989-529-8765. (-25-1/2)

FOR RENT 7 miles east of Grayling. Newer 2 bedroom, attached garage. No smoking or pets. \$650 per month plus utilities \$650 deposit. 989-348-7355. (-18-25/2)

FIND THAT HOME in the Avalanche For Rent Classifieds.

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MONTHLY HOME RENTALS near Grayling, Houghton Lake, Rosecommon and Higgins Lake. 2 and 3 bedroom. Higgins North Property Services, 989-821-3434. (-1/13/11/t/f/2)

NICE SINGLE WIDE west of town, 2 BR. No smoking or pets. 231-342-9726. (-25/2)

COMMERCIAL BUILDING FOR LEASE 6251 W. M-72 West, 1/2 mile from city. Suitable for office, retail, beauty shop. First month free rent. Will work with tenant to get established. 989-348-4716. (-10/4/12/t/f/2)

NEWLY REMODELED VICTORIAN 4 bedroom, 2 full bath, double story. 2173 sq. feet, attached garage, nice and clean basement, down town area, next to middle school. 406 Peninsular Ave., rent \$750, deposit \$750 plus utilities. No pets, no smoking in the house. Minimum lease 1 year. Need references. Phone 916-759-8260. (-18-25/2)

5 BED, 2 BATH HOME with appliances in Frederic. \$650 plus first, last and deposit. 810-643-6814. (-11-18-25/2)

UPDATED 3 BEDROOM, 1 1/2 bath, enclosed back yard, attached 1 car garage on corner of Elm and Michigan Ave. Zoned C3 residential or commercial. Will accept offer to purchase. 989-348-2741. (-10/11/12/t/f/2)

THREE BEDROOM MOBILE \$550 plus utilities and \$550 deposit. 989-390-5425. (-10/25/12/t/f/2)

2 BED DUPLEX \$550 per month plus utilities and security deposit. Close to town, 989-348-5372, 989-745-4519. (-25/2)

AUSABLE VALLEY ANIMAL SHELTER is accepting bids for 2012 - 2013 winter snow removal. Please contact Director at 348-4117 or 5786 Fairgrounds Lane. (-25/3)

WESTSIDE DINER NOW HIRING wait staff, cooks and dishwasher. Apply in person. (-25-1/3)

COOK/DIETARY AIDE for an evening shift. Prior cooking experience preferred but not mandatory. Must be able to lift up to 50 lbs., work independently and follow directions. Apply in person at Grayling Nursing and Rehabilitation, 331 Meadows Dr., Grayling. (-25-1/3)

WANT MONEY FOR CHRISTMAS? Sell Avon products. Call Sandy at 989-350-0532. (-4-11-18-25/3)

LOCAL CHURCH NEEDS ORGANIST/pianist to play on Sunday morning 11 a.m. church services. Call 989-448-4198. (-11-18-25/3)

THE CLASSIFIED - The perfect place to find a new employee. Place your ad today, call (989) 348-6811.

2. For Rent

Cobble Creek II Apartments
 a family community located in Grayling, MI is currently accepting applications for 1 Bedroom, 2 Bedrooms Apartments. Units of barrier free design may also be available. Rent is based on income.
 For affordable housing call **989-348-3150**
 This institution is an Equal Opportunity Provider, Equal Housing Opportunity.
 TDD# (800) 649-3777

Whispering Pines Senior Apartments
 Whispering Pines Senior Apartments is currently accepting applications for 1 & 2 bedroom apartments. Most units are income-based; low to moderate incomes welcome. Beautiful apartments available, with patio, pass through breakfast bar, lots of storage space, neutral décor, and scenic gardens. Resident Events hosted once a month! **FREE HEAT, FREE HOT WATER, FREE RUBBISH REMOVAL!** Laundry facilities are conveniently located. Call (989) 344-0020
 TDD#800-649-3777

HEAVY TRUCK MECHANIC wanted for repair and service of Tractor and Trailers. Experience is preferred but will train the right candidate. The right candidate will have excellent communication and organizational skills and be able to meet pre-established deadlines. Basic hand tools required. A CDL license is preferred. Competitive wages paid. Benefits include: health insurance, company matching 401(k), uniforms and tool allowance. Please e-mail your resume to jchurchill@ntimberlands.com or fill out an application between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m., Monday through Friday at Michigan Wood Carriers, Inc., 8492 Yuill Rd., Vanderbilt, MI 49795. EOE. (-18-25/3)

CUSTODIAL SUBSTITUTES are needed at the Crawford AuSable School District. Qualifications: high school diploma or GED. Positions will be contracted and employed through PESC. Submit applications online at www.subpass.com. Please contact Melanie Dannenberg at 989-344-3756 with any questions. (-25-1/3)

JOBS FOR MEN/WOMEN in transportation. Contact Liberty Truck Driving School. 888-602-5966, www.libertytruckdrivingschool.com. (-LR11/29/12/3)

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 Beautiful apartments available, with private patio or balcony, pass through breakfast bar, lots of storage space and neutral décor.
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1. Real Estate

Recently Foreclosed, Special Financing Available, Any Credit, Any Income
 3BD, 1BTH, 1248SqFt, located at 110 Dale St. Grayling, \$59,900
 Visit: www.roselandco.com/AEC
 Drive by then call (866)487-5738

1. Real Estate

Recently Foreclosed, Special Financing Available, Any Credit, Any Income
 Commercial Building, 1000SqFt, located at, 421 N. St. Helen Rd. St. Helen, \$48,900
 Visit: www.roselandco.com/994
 Drive by then call (866)700-3622

Northern Listings Realty
 Dan Bonamie II Broker/Owner
 Duane (Dwey) LaMotte Associate Broker
 Rick Anderson Sales Associate
 Bobbi Gonzales Sales Associate
 Sherri Gallagher Sales Associate
 Check out all the area listings at: www.NorthernListings.com

Arbor Court Apartments in Grayling is accepting applications for 2 bedroom apartments. Rent is based on 30% of the adjusted gross income. For more information call Pam at 989-732-6237 or pick up application at 400 Madsen Street, Grayling. Barrier Free Units available. This institution is an equal opportunity provider & employer. TDD 1-800-649-3777

NURSING ASSISTANT part time shifts available. Must have State of Michigan Certification. Uniform provided, on the job continuing education and flexibility in scheduling. Apply in person at Grayling Nursing and Rehabilitation, 331 Meadows Dr., Grayling. (-25-1/3)

HELP WANTED HINTS When placing a Help Wanted Classified, remember to list the job title and duties involved, whether it is full or part time, the name of company or business, mailing address for resume, or street address for walk-in applications. Crawford County Avalanche, 102 Michigan Avenue, Grayling - (989) 348-6811.

4. Services Offered

FRANCES BEL CATERING Catering for all occasions. 989-348-0145 or 989-889-0612. Please leave a message. (-4/26/12/t/f/4)

FULLY INSURED TREE SERVICE 989-348-1391. (-8/9/12/t/f/4)

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D. HAWES / Driver's Training: Northern Driving School will be offering classes year-round in Grayling and surrounding areas. The only local driving school in Crawford and Roscommon counties. Segment I \$275, Segment II \$40. 989-344-2470. (05/22/08/t/4)

NEED RUBBER STAMPS? Whether it's business cards, letterheads, stamps or business documents, we've got you covered. Call the Avalanche at 348-6811 for more information. Or stop in and see us, 102 Michigan Ave., in Downtown Grayling.

3. Employment 3. Employment

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Volunteer Programs seek a Field Support Specialist. Provide field support for volunteer service delivery for the Foster Grandparent, Senior Companion, and Retired and Senior Volunteer Programs. Associates Degree or equivalent work experience in Human Services related field required. Working 32 hours weekly; wage 10.69/hr with benefits. Application Deadline October 29, 2012 at 4:30 pm. To view job description and apply visit www.nemcsa.org. Upon request auxiliary aids and services will be made available to individuals with disabilities. Michigan Relay Center "Voice and TTY/TDD" 1-800-649-3777. An EOE.

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 Northern Lakes CMH is seeking applicants for the following positions:
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 PARENT TO PARENT SUPPORT (PART TIME)
 SYSTEM OF CARE WRAPAROUND
 ACT/RN ADVOCATE
 HOME BASED THERAPIST
 SYSTEMS DATA ANALYST
GRAYLING
 CHILD & FAMILY SPECIALIST
 HOME BASED THERAPIST
HOUGHTON LAKE
 OPERATIONS MANAGER
 EMERGENCY SERVICES SPECIALIST
 CHILD & FAMILY SPECIALIST (PART TIME)
TRAVERSE CITY
 BEHAVIORAL PSYCHOLOGIST (PART TIME)
 For further position information, requirements for each position and how to apply, please visit our web page: www.northernlakescmh.org
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4. Services Offered

MH INSTALLATION SERVICE siding, windows, doors, roofing, decks, garages. Free estimates, 30 year experience. 989-306-8488. (-18-25-1-8/4)

LIFE PROBLEMS getting you down? Call GRACE Center, 989-348-2544. (3/19/09/tf/4)

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HOMETOWN HEATING COOLING & APPLIANCE repair has same or next day service. Saturday regular rates, also Sunday and after hour emergency available. Furnace tune-up special going on now. Call now for appointment, 989-348-4252. (-5/3/12/tf/4)

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3. Employment

North Central Area Credit Union is seeking a Branch Manager for the Houghton Lake Branch office. This position requires a highly self-motivated person with exceptional leadership skills. Previous manager and lending experience preferred. Must be able to lead a team efficiently, problem solve and handle multiple duties as the manager and team leader. Send resume to tschwalm@ncacu.org or fax to 989-910-5129 Attn: Tammy

C.O.O.R. INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Accounting Clerk - Level III

The C.O.O.R. ISD is seeking qualified applicants to fill the position of Accounting Clerk, Level III, effective immediately.

Minimum Associate's Degree in Accounting. Wages according to the COOR ISD secretarial hourly wage rate. Benefits include retirement, health, life, dental and vision.

Please forward a letter of interest, along with a resume and three professional references, by 3 P.M. on November 5, 2012 to:

GREGORY A. BUSH
C.O.O.R. INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
11051 N. Cut Road - P.O. Box 827
Roscommon, MI 48653-0827

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2000 Sq Ft with loading dock, heat, restroom and small office. Call Curt Jansen 989-348-8818

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4. Services Offered

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3. Employment

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RTH HOME IMPROVEMENT all your interior and exterior needs. Garages, additions, drywall, painting, roofing, siding, decks, and more. Licensed and insured, free estimates. Rob Harrington 989-344-1383. (-9/16/04/tf/4)

3. Employment

Kirtland Community College
10775 N. St. Helen Road
Roscommon, MI 48653

PART-TIME STUDENT SUCCESS SUPPORT SPECIALIST:

Kirtland Community College is seeking qualified applicants for a part-time office support position at the Roscommon campus. For the complete position description and application information, visit our website at <http://www.kirtland.edu/human-resources/jobs-at-kirtland>. Application deadline is November 2, 2012. Equal opportunity employer.

5. For Sale

FOUR TOYO SPECTRUM tires with Aluminum Honda rims. P205/70R15. 50K on tires. 75\$ OBO. 313-478-4867. (-18-25/5)

GIBSON CHEST FREEZER. 3 cu ft. 8-10 years old. 25\$. 313-478-4867. (-18-25/5)

BABY PARROT'S, MACAWS, COCKATOOS, Amazons and more! Please call Karen at 989-873-0901 or visit www.greatlakesparrot-place.com. (-18-25-1/5)

8 FT. SLATE TOP pool table, good condition, extras \$100. 989-348-7297. (-25-1/5)

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5. For Sale

FICK & SONS PROPANE CYLINDER prices for October. 20# cylinder refill - \$12; 30# cylinder refill - \$18; 00# cylinder refill - \$60. These prices are available at our Grayling, Houghton Lake & West Branch offices as well as Charles Country Corner. We would like to be your propane supplier at your home, please contact our office to schedule your tank installation. Call 800-292-9295 for details & thank you for your business! (-4-10-18-25/5)

IT'S PUMPKIN TIME! Carving and novelty pumpkins, gourds, corn stalks, Indian corn, straw, pie pumpkins and a variety of winter squashes for sale. Farm is located at corner of Fletcher Rd. & South Grayling Rd. in Beaver Creek Twp. Open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. through the month of October. (-4-11-18-25/5)

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ATTENTION ALL BEAVER CREEK Township and Grayling Charter Township Precinct 302 Voters: Elect Cheryl Ruley as your Crawford County Commissioner District 2 this November 6th. Paid for by the Committee to Elect Cheryl Ruley, 2550 W. M72 Hwy., Grayling, MI 49738. (-25/6)

BUYING 100 LB. PROPANE cylinders 989-348-7647. (-18-25-1-8/6)

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10. Garage Sales

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We Are Selling Our Home, And Will Sell The Following At Public Auction. Located: From The Houghton Lake State Police Post, Go North 5 Miles On Old 27 To Bradford Rd., Then East 1/2 Mile To E. Houghton Lk. Dr., Then Continue East 1 1/2 Miles.

Sunday, November 4, 2012 • 12 noon

HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS, HOT TUB, APPLIANCES & RELATED ITEMS (All In Good Clean Condition): Beautiful Solid Oak Double Pedestal Dining Table W/ 3 Leaves & 8 Upholstered Bottom Oak Chairs • Beautiful Large Solid Oak China Cabinet W/ Beveled Glass Doors • Oak Tiled Table Top Dining Table W/ 4 Chairs • (5) Piece Full Size Maple Bedroom Suite To Include: Poster Bed, 4 Drawer Dresser W/ Mirror, 6 Drawer High Boy Dresser, 5 Drawer Chest Of Drawers W/ Upper Bookcase & 2 Night Stands • Queen Size Metal Poster Bed W/ 2 Glass Top Night Stands & Sitting Bench • Green Microfiber Davenport Sofa • Hide A Bed • (2) Lane Reclining Chairs • Beveled Top Sofa Table • Blonde Sofa Table • Solid Oak TV Corner Cabinet • Toshiba 32" Tv • 38" X 74" Tiled Top Coffee Table • Antique Gale Leg Drop Leaf Table • 2003 Catalina 4 Person Hot Tub (Like New) • Appliances To Include: Frigidaire Upright Freezer • G.E. Refrigerator • Admiral Natural Gas Stove • Washer & Natural Gas Dryer • 5 Drawer Dresser • (3) Swivel Bar Stools W/ Leather Seats • Oak Stereo Cabinet • Assorted tables & desks • Crocks • Cast Iron Pans • Exercise equip. • (2) Stereo Systems • Queen Of Good Household Box Lots • J.D. LAWN TRACTOR, GARAGE & MISC. ITEMS: John Deere Lx277 Riding Lawn Tractor, Hydro Drive W/ 48" Mower Deck, Bagger Vac System & 42" Snow Blower • J.D. Pull Type Utility Dump Trailer • Snapper 5 H.P. Push Lawn Mower W/ Bagger • Excell 2500 Psi Pressure Washer • Paddle Type Snow Blower • Large Park Bench • Charming Stainless Gas Grill • Porter Cable Air Compressor • Craftsman 6" Bench Grinder • Craftsman Mechanics Tool Set 1/4" To 1/2" (2) Rigid 24" Pipe Wrenches • Rigid Pipe Cutter • Wheel Barrel • Still 010 Av Chain Saw • Assort. ladders • Misc. Yard Tools • (12) 6" To 8" Folding Tables • THIS IS A PARTIAL LISTING! **AUCTIONEERS NOTE:** Plan On Coming Out & Attending This Good Clean Auction. The Quality Of The Items Will Not Disappoint You. Sale Will Be Held Inside Home & Large Pole Barn. **TERMS OF SALE:** Cash Or Mi Check With Proper I.D. Major Credit Cards Are Accepted With A 3% Handling Fee.

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Saturday, November 3, 2012 • 11 a.m.

LOADER BACKHOE, GMC TRUCK, TRAILERS, TRACTOR & FARM IMPLEMENTS: Case 580D Loader Backhoe W/Extend A Hoe, Cab, New 17.5L-24 Rear Tires, 5400 Hrs • 2000 GMC C6500 Toolkick Medium Duty Truck W/ 16" Scissor Lift Flat Dump Body, 49,500 miles • 14' Tri-Axle Implement Trailer W/ 3 Beavertail & Ramps • Cargo Mate 12' Single Axle Enclosed Trailer W/ Ladder Racks • Universal 453 (45 H.P.) Diesel Tractor, 4 W.D., W/ Universal H.D. Loader, 14.9-28 Rear Tires, 2615 Hrs • Woods 7 3 Pt. Bush Blade • Ford 5 3 Pt. Bush Hog • 7 3 Pt. Rear Mount Snow Blower • 3 Pt. P.T.O. Post Hole Auger • 7 3 Pt. Landscape Rake • 6 3 Pt. Disc • Deaton 3pt. 2 Bottom Plow • 6 3 Pt. Rear Back Blade • H.D. Shop Built 7 3 Pt. Drag • 3 Pt. Scoop • Belt Driven Buzz Saw Rig • Spectrum 16 Ft. Fishing Boat W/ 40 H.P. Force Outboard & Trailer • **GOOD SELECTION OF SHOP RELATED TOOLS TO INCLUDE:** Honda 3500 Watt Generator • Acetylene Torch Set W/ Blue Point Gauges & Tips On A H.D. Cart • Snap On #MM250SL Mig Welder On A Cart W/ Tank • Coats #40-40 SA Tire Machine • Snap On #WB260 Tire Balancer W/ Quon. Of Wts. • AC/DC Arc Welder • Craftsman 10" Radial Arm Saw • Jet 10" Table Saw • Shop Press • DeWalt 12" Compound Miter Saw • (2) 18V DeWalt Multi Power Tool Kits • Milwaukee 1 1/2" Rotary Hammer Drill • Milwaukee 1/2" Right Angle Hammer Drill • Makita Reciprocating Saw • (2) Laser Levels • (5) Framing, Roofing & Staple Air Guns • (2) Cases Of Roofing Nails & Screws • Rigid Chop Saw • 12 Spd Drill Press • H.D. Ind. Grinder • Ryobi Router & Bit Set • 18" & 24" Crescent Wrenches • Lots Of Hardware • Misc. Air Tools • NUMEROUS OTHER HAND & POWER TOOLS • Cm 3 Ton Chain Fall W/ Trolley • Snap On 7 Drawer Roll Around Cabinet • W/ 9 Drawer Tool Chest • (4) Snap On Tool Cabinets • Still TS 400 Concrete Saw W/ Quick Cut Cart (Like New) • 7 H.P. Cement Power Trowel • Other Misc. Masonry Tools • Still 026 Chain Saw • Still MS 360 Chain Saw • (3) Alum. Ext. Ladders • (2) 8' Fiberglass Step Ladders • (5) Ladder Jacks • Roofing Jacks • Engine Stand • Shop Rollers • H.D. Ext. Cords • Safety Harnesses & Tool Belts • Snap On Bolt Grip Bearing Puller Set • Radiator & Amp Meter Testers • A.C. Gauges • MANY MORE SHOP RELATED ITEMS • **FARM WAGON LOAD OF SHOP RELATED TOOLS • GUNS, MEAT PROCESSING EQUIP. & MISC. ITEMS AROUND THE SHOPS:** 8 M.M. Mauser Rifle • Mossberg 12 Ga Pump Shotgun • (3) 22 Cal. Rifles • 16 Ga. Single Shot • 50 Cal. Muzzle Loader • Hr Single Shot 20 Ga. • Commercial Floor Model Meat Saw W/ Stainless Cutting Table • Hobart Steak Maker Mod. 200 Meat Tenderizer • 12" Meat Slicer • Steel Farm Gates • (3) Rolls Elec. Fencing Wire • Quon. Insulators • Diamond Pitted Tool Box • Quon. Chains & Binders • Log Tong • Numerous Yard Tools • THIS IS A PARTIAL LISTING! **AUCTIONEERS NOTE:** Plan To Attend This Good Sale. Larger Items Will Begin Selling @ 12 Noon, Sale Held Rain, Snow Or Shine. **TERMS OF SALE:** Cash Or Mi Check With Proper I.D. Credit Cards Accepted With A 3% Handling Fee.

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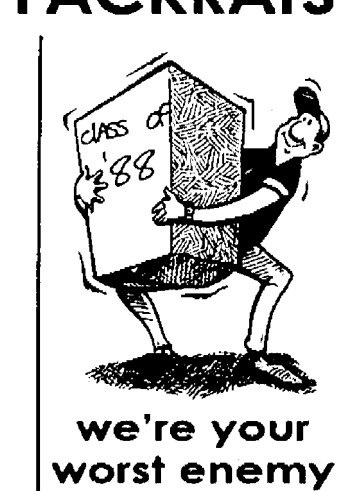
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8 Announcements

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING of the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter to be held on November 10, 2012, at 3 p.m. at the Gray Rock Cafe, 2123 Industrial Dr., Grayling, MI. (-25/8)

TRICKS OR TREATS all day long Oct. 31. Acoustic music by Mr. Casey 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Immediately following Halloween Bash with Hail your Highness, Dactylion and 17 Cities at Trust Fall Records - \$2 admission with costume. (-25/8)

BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP FIRE FIGHTERS Association 1st annual Arts & Craft Show, Saturday, Nov. 3, 2012, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bear Lake Township Community Center, M-72 at East Bear Lake Rd., Kalkaska. (-25/8)

ANNUAL HARVEST DINNER Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church - Thursday, Oct. 25, 5 - 6:30 p.m. Buffet style turkey dinner. Adults \$9, children 6 - 12 \$4 and under 6 eat free. Take outs available only between 4 and 5 p.m. (-18-25/8)

ATTENTION ALL BEAVER CREEK Township and Grayling Charter Township Precinct 302 Voters: Elect Cheryl Ruley as your Crawford County Commissioner District 2 this November 6th. Paid for by the Committee to Elect Cheryl Ruley, 2550 W. M72 Hwy., Grayling, MI 49738. (-25/8)

YOGA CLASSES with Kaye Thomas-Hogan Tuesday evenings at St. Francis Episcopal Church, Grayling. Call 989-348-1722 to register. (-4-10-18-25/8)

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR Place your organization's events on Crawford County's Community Calendar. Go to crawfordcountyavalanche.com, under services, to submit your event. For more information, call our office at 989-348-6811. (-3/19/09tf/8)

GERTA'S DRAPERIES "Everything in Window Treatments." Free estimates and in-home appointments. Established in 1958. Call 989-732-3340 or visit our showroom at 2281 South Otsego Avenue, Gaylord. (3/26/09tf/8)

HALL FOR RENT American Legion Post 106, Grayling. Smoke free wedding receptions, showers, parties and more. Contact manager 348-7232. (-13-27/8)

FICK & SONS PROPANE - Lock in your propane price until May 2013. Enrollment deadline has been extended & is available until October 31. Please call 800-292-9295 for details or check our website at www.fickandsons.com Thank you for your business! (-4-10-18-25/8)

10. Garage Sale

MOVING SALE Goodales Storage Unit between Units D & E, Sunday from 11 - 3. Lots of quality items. Will be cancelled if it rains. (-25/10)

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MOVING SALE 4700 Sands Park Rd., Kalkaska, MI. October 26 & 27, 8 - 5. Furniture, entertainment center, corner curio cabinet, Precious Moments, Oak Crest Roll-top Desk, Kangaroo Golf Cart, tools, and lots more. (-25/10)

THE COMMISSION ON AGING & Senior Center will be holding a Rummage Sale on Friday, October 26 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at 308 Lawndale Street, Grayling. This event is open to the public. Available for purchase will be 2 office desks, 3 computer stands, 1 computer desk, keyboards with mice, Lazy Boy recliner, collector dolls, juicer and misc. items. (-18-25/10)

11. Automotive

'06 GMC ENVOY-DENALI \$12,500. 348-7451. (-25-1/11)

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Peri Scheer hits the ball for the Vikings during Tuesday's league series against Boyne City.

Volleyball team falls to Boyne 3-0

The GHS varsity girls volleyball team lost 3-0 in a best of five league series vs. the visiting Boyne City Ramblers on Tuesday night.

Game one was tied at 12-12 approximately halfway through the match. The Ramblers scored seven unanswered points to lead 19-12. Boyne City won the contest 25-16.

Game two also had a tie in the middle of the contest, 15-15. Boyne scored four points to lead 19-15. The Vikings scored the

next four points to tie the game at 19-19. With the score tied at 22-22, Grayling scored two points to pull ahead 24-22, needing one point for a win. Boyne City scored the next four points to win 26-24.

Boyne City jumped out to a 16-6 advantage in game three before eventually winning by 15, 25-10.

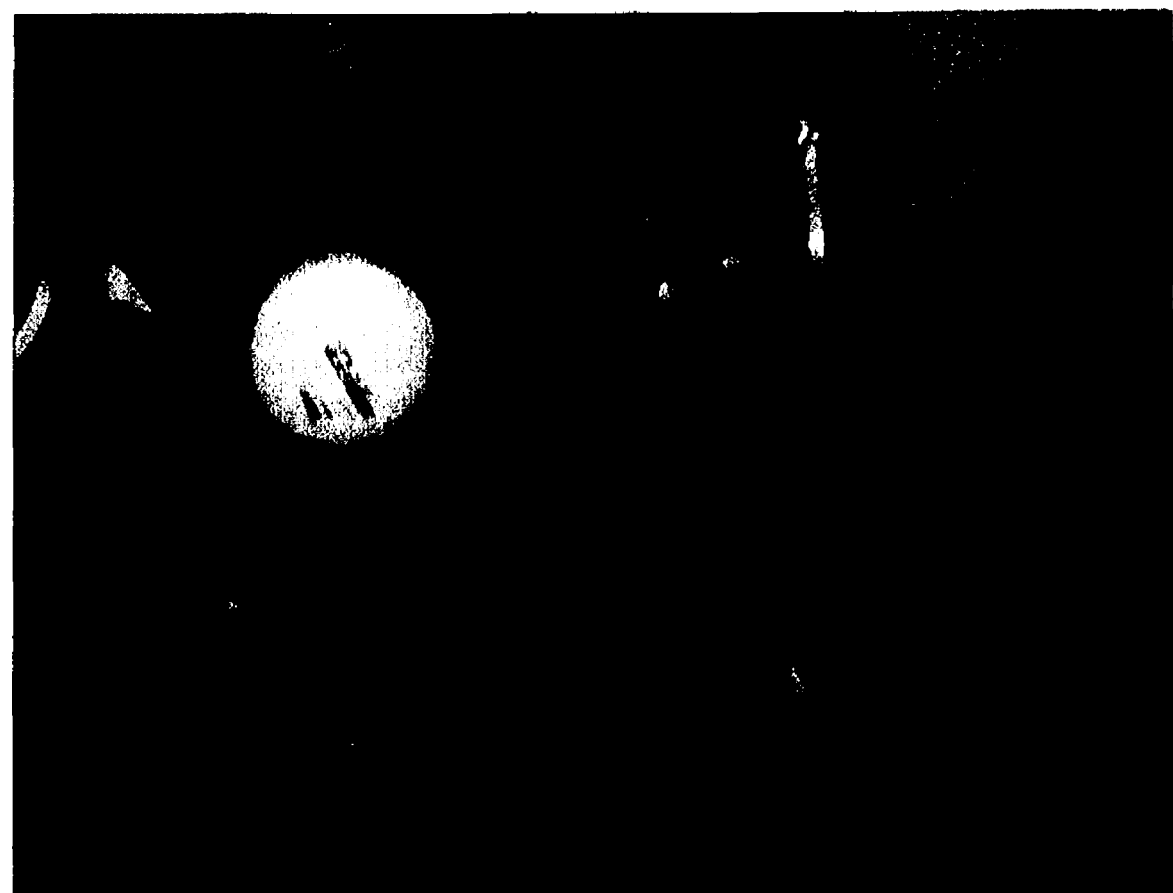
The Ramblers won the series 3-0. The Vikings will end their 2012 regular season with a league series vs. Elk Rapids on Thursday, Oct. 25.



Sarah Goodyear hits the ball for the Grayling Vikings during last week's varsity volleyball meet vs. the Ramblers.



Josey Hinkle serves for the Vikings vs. Boyne City on Tuesday night in a meet held at GHS.



Casie Wakeley hits the ball for Grayling during last week's series vs. the Boyne City Ramblers.

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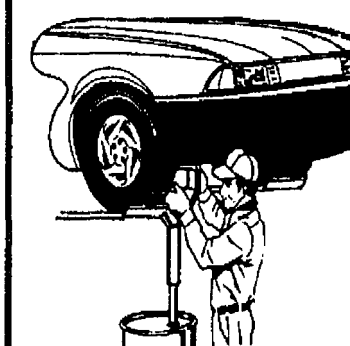
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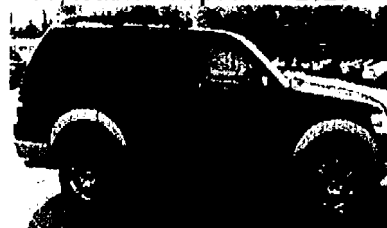
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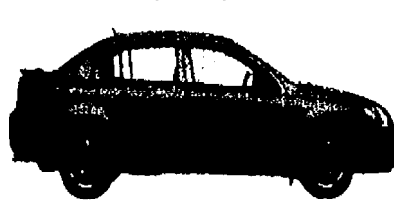
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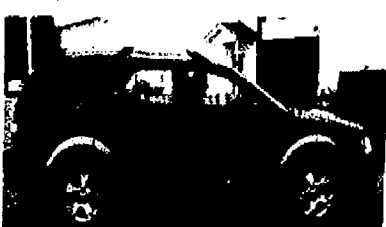
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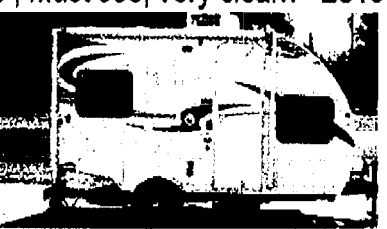
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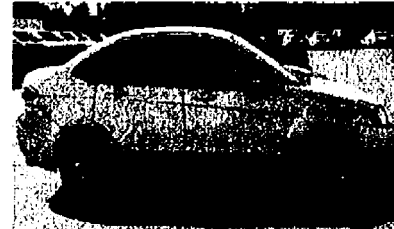
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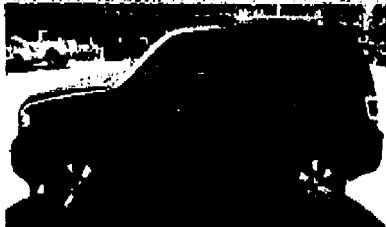
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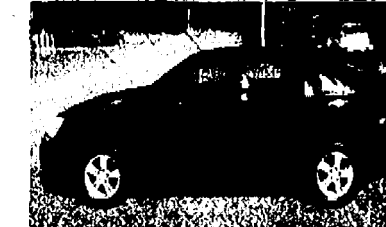
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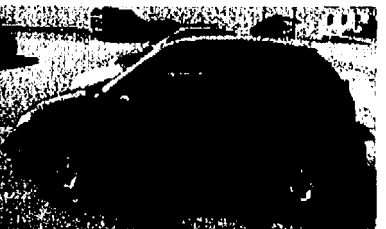
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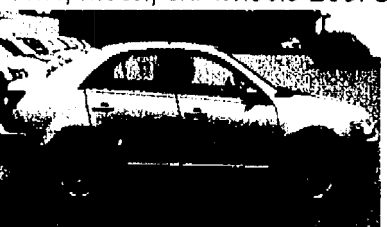
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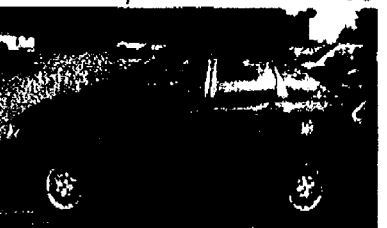
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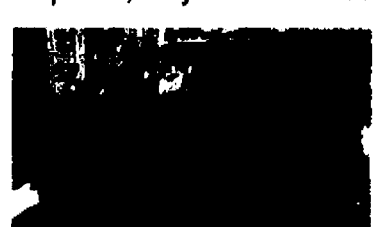
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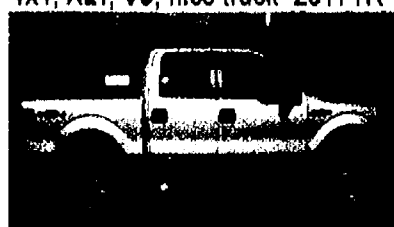
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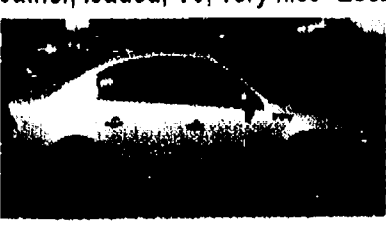
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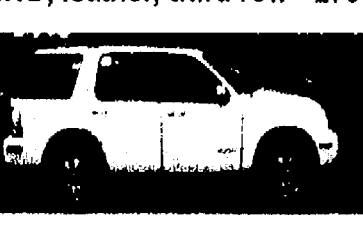
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